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ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Kaifes rebounds well after crash

Lady Lions' coach to return to sideline as soon as Oct. 15

By RYAN BRONSON
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Carrie Kaifes, Missouri Southern women's basketball coach, is making a strong recovery from the Sept. 5 automobile accident that left her hospitalized for 12 days.

Kaifes, 32, suffered a fractured clavicle and pelvis in addition to internal injuries after she was thrown as far as 100 feet from her 1988 Buick.

The automobile rolled two or three times before resting.

Kaifes was beginning her first year as head coach after two years as an assistant under Scott Ballard. Ballard gave up his job after five years to take the head coaching job at Central Missouri State University.

Kaifes has been getting around with the aid of a cane, according to her brother, Lady Lions' assistant coach Eric Kaifes.

"She has been in therapy now for about a week," he said. "When she's walking, she's not 100 percent."

"But at least she's walking."

Eric Kaifes said his family didn't have any predictions as to how well

his sister would recover from the accident.

"We never speculated," he said. "We just took it day by day."

Eric Kaifes said the support for the 1985 Emporia State graduate was encouraging.

"In the hospital, she received more than 30 bouquets and more than 100 cards," he said. "The first three or four days we probably got more than 100 phone calls, too."

Carrie Kaifes has been recovering slowly—but surely.

"She doesn't remember the day [of the accident]," Eric Kaifes said. "She's in and out somewhat right now. She hit her head pretty hard. It's getting better every day."

Kaifes, who was released Sept. 17 from Mt. Carmel Medical Center in Pittsburg, Kan., is expected to coach the team when practice begins Oct. 15.

"She's the head coach," her brother said. "She'll be ready Oct. 15."

Eric Kaifes said the Lady Lions have taken the incident and turned it into a positive motivator for the season.

"They've come together more as a team," he said. "We're not going to use anything as an excuse. As the girls have said, it's business as usual."

The Lady Lions begin their season at Young Gymnasium in the MSSC Lady Lions Tip-Off Classic Nov. 17-18. □



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FEEDING frenzy

Stacy Winkler, junior graphic communication major, prepares to take a bite out of a watermelon Tuesday at the Student Senate Watermelon Feed in the Lions' Den. Ed Butkovich and AmeriServe donated the watermelons.

The event was one of many promotions for Student Government Week, an event created and sponsored by the Student Senate to promote better visibility to the student body.

The Senate also held its weekly meeting in the Billingsly Student Center Connor Ballroom and encouraged members of the student body to attend and see how the Senate operates.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Southern to play host to high school playoffs

Fred G. Hughes Stadium celebrates 20th anniversary

By RICK ROGERS
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

With Fred G. Hughes Stadium celebrating its 20th anniversary, the state has given the College a birthday present by bringing the Missouri State Football Championships to Joplin.

Jim Frazier, men's athletic director, said holding special events such as high school football games and track and field events helps promote the College and the community.

"We had a great impact when the AAU track and field championships were here last summer," he said. "The [Joplin Area] Chamber [of Commerce] has indicated that there was a \$3.2 million economic impact on the community. I would expect close to the same impact with the high school football games."

The state football championships for Classes 1A, 2A, and 3A will be held at Hughes Stadium in November.

Randy Bono, assistant executive director of the Missouri State High School Athletic Association, said with more than 16,000 fans in attendance last year, the championships had an economic impact of more than \$950,000 on the Columbia community.

"The \$950,000 figure includes only the players' and families' hotel rates and meal expenses," Bono said. "When you add the shopping and miscellaneous expenses, Columbia gained more than \$1 million for the two-day event."

Even though the high school championships will not bring revenue directly to the College, Frazier said they will benefit Southern in another way.

"What it will do is bring prospective students to come and see the College," he said.

Last year, Faurot Field at the University of Missouri played host to the state championship games. When Faurot Field installed a grass surface after the 1994 season, Southern and Southwest Missouri State University had the only collegiate stadiums with artificial surfaces.

SMSU will play host to the Class 3A and 4A

championship games in November.

"The primary reason Joplin got the championships was because they have an all-weather surface," Bono said. "Busch Stadium in St. Louis was the only other option, and it was too expensive."

Bono said the MSHAA's main concern with natural grass was the possibility of bad weather affecting field conditions.

"We play five football games in a two-day span, and if we had a lot of rain the field would get severely worse as the games went on," he said. "So, we decided to stick with an all-weather surface, because many coaches were worried that the field conditions could affect the outcome of the games."

Hughes Stadium, built in 1975 at a cost of \$1.7 million, was the first college football facility in the state to have an artificial turf playing field. Frazier said the turf gave the stadium a special niche in the Midwest.

"The key with having a turf field is the practice opportunities," he said. "We have no indoor facility and nowhere to go if we have bad weather."

"A big part of my thinking in 1975 was that the ROTC, soccer team, softball team, intramurals, and track teams could use it."

"We can get multiple uses of the stadium, but if we had grass no one could use it."

The football Lions made their Hughes Stadium debut on Sept. 5, 1975, with a 20-13 victory over Emporia State University. Southern is 68-33-3 overall at the stadium heading into Saturday's game with the University of Missouri-Rolla.

Despite claims that artificial turf leads to many injuries, Frazier said the College has no plans to change to a natural grass field.

"I see no reason for Missouri Southern to do anything different than what we are doing," he said. "But the stadium needs a facelift, and with the state championships coming here that might induce a sense of urgency."

"We have outgrown our press box, and I would like to see the east side of the stadium finished. But there are no plans on the drawing board."

The stadium has a seating capacity of 7,000, including the east grandstand, which seats 2,300. □



SEPTEMBER 1975

The project is completed, although the stadium's capacity is down scaled to seating for 7,000 persons. The stadium's \$1.7 million price tag includes \$288,737 for artificial turf. Student fees and private contributions fund the project.

SEPT. 6, 1975

KTVJ-TV (Channel 16) televises Southern's first game in the stadium, a 20-13 victory over Emporia State University.

MAY 21, 1976

Graduation ceremonies for 500 students are held in the stadium. Robert Burnett, a native of Joplin and CEO of the Meredith Corporation, delivers the commencement address.



MARCH 1978

The stadium is named in honor of Fred G. Hughes, president of the College's Board of Regents at the time the facility was built.

1988

The original artificial turf is replaced by a sand-filled turf called BaspoGrass-S, as part of a \$419,000 stadium improvement project.

NOV. 20, 1993

Hughes Stadium plays host to an NCAA Division II playoff game between Mankato State and Southern. The Lions lose, 34-13.

TIMELINE

Fred G. Hughes STADIUM

DEC. 2, 1972

The football Lions win the NAIA Division II national championship, triggering discussions of an on-campus stadium. Southern plays its home games at the 3,600-seat Junge Stadium, miles from the campus.

1974

Allgeier, Martin and Associates designs a stadium that could seat as many as 25,000 spectators.

JULY 11, 1974

The Board of Regents authorizes College President Leon Billingsly to advertise for bids for preliminary grading and landscaping and installation of drainage and sewer facilities for a new stadium.

SEPTEMBER 1974

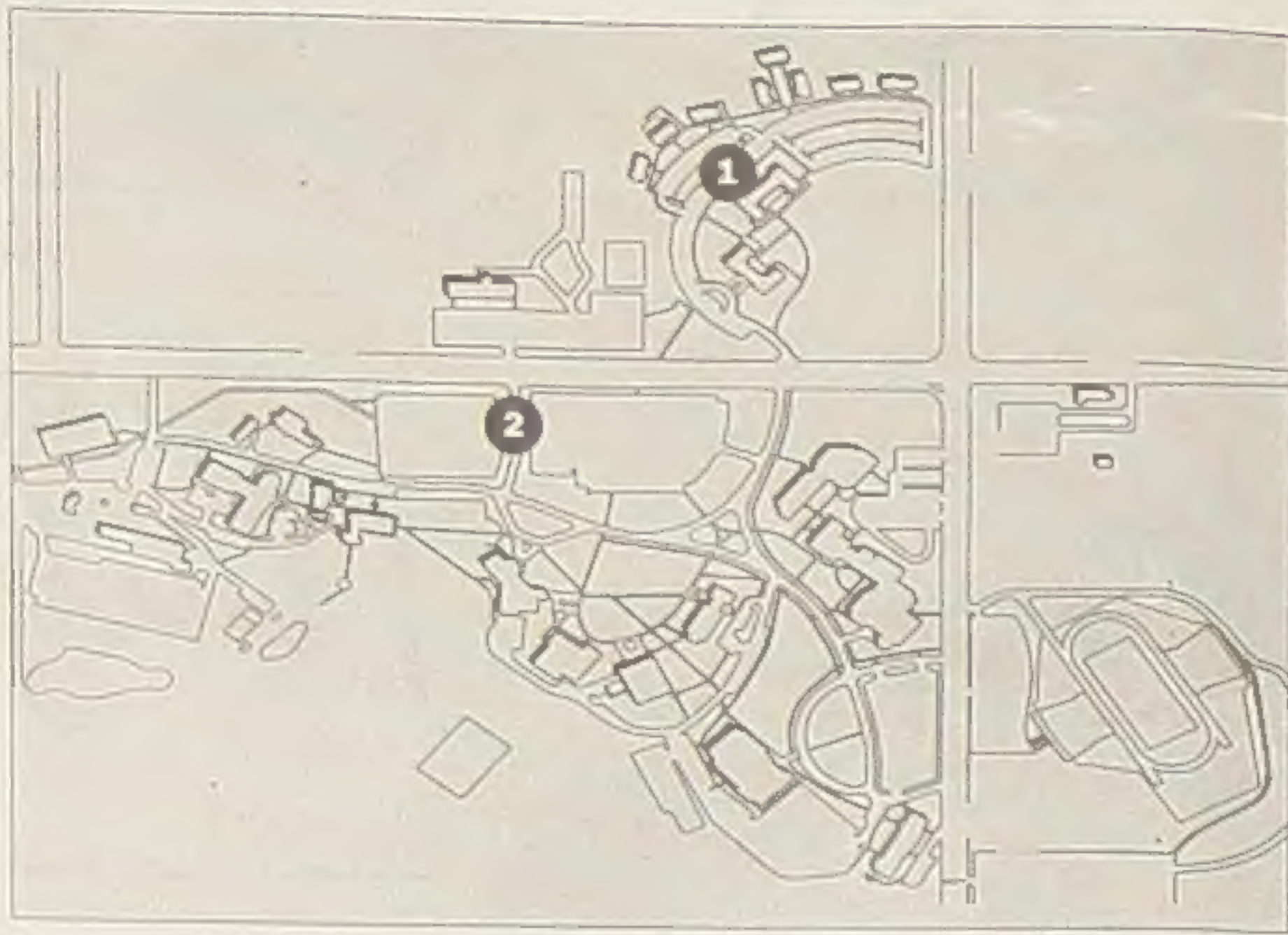
Snyder Brothers Construction Co. submits the low bid of \$212,500 for the first phase of a 10,000-seat football stadium on campus. The first phase will consist of dirt excavation, moving sewer lines, installation of a storm sewer, and grading of the playing field.



OCT. 1, 1974

Athletic director Max Oldham and head football coach Jim Frazier launch a drive to raise funds for an artificial playing surface. Oldham estimates the cost to be \$300,000, compared to \$180,000 for a sod turf.

SECURITY REPORT



- 1** 9/22/95 BLAINE HALL 2 a.m. Some amplifiers and other radio equipment were taken from Jeff Droz' van while he was away. No fingerprints were found.
- 2** 9/25/95 LOT 39 1 p.m. Joseph Drum accidentally ran his bicycle into Holly Trantham's Ford Probe while riding out of the pedestrian tunnel connecting the residence halls to Lot 39.

ADMISSIONS OFFICE

Senior Night offers tour of campus, football game

By DAN WISZKON
MANAGING EDITOR

For many high school seniors, their college careers at Missouri Southern may begin in a tent at 5 p.m. Saturday at Fred G. Hughes Stadium.

Besides the Southern-University of Missouri-Rolla football game, the visit will include student-guided tours of the campus, a look at the residence halls, and information about financial aid.

This is the first instance where the admissions office and the athletics department have joined together to advertise and invite high school seniors from around the area to visit the College.

Clay Deem, admissions counselor, said the event isn't restricted to certain schools, and parents are welcome to attend. Deem hopes Senior Night becomes an annual event.

The purpose of the event, Deem said, is to introduce high schoolers

to the college life.

"And what better time to experience part of that is on Saturday night with a football game going on," he said.

"Most colleges have a visit night that try to bring students in when something is happening."

Deem anticipates a good showing and said both the admissions office and the athletics department have worked hard to advertise Senior Night.

"We sent about 70 posters out to high school counselors and principals within a 60- or 70-mile radius of the campus," he said. "We are hoping to see somewhere between 100 and 200 students."

Kenny Evans, defensive coordinator for the football Lions, mailed flyers to high school football coaches in a 100-mile radius of the campus.

He said the game against the University of Missouri-Rolla gives the campus some added flavor and is a good marketing device to make everyone's visit more enjoyable.

"The ballgame gives them one more thing to look at and sparks their interest," Evans said.

Evans said about 80 percent of the Lion football team consists of recruits, but some good players are walk-ons resulting from activities like Senior Night.

For more information about the event, persons may call the admissions office at 625-9378.

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Kenny Evans
Defensive coordinator

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STUDENT SENATE

Senate to nominate student regent

Kappa Alpha Order, WISE, cheerleaders each receive \$1,000

By GENIE UNDERNEHR
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

With a starting treasury balance of \$7,474, senators heard allocation requests from Kappa Alpha Order, WISE, and the cheerleaders and mascots at Wednesday's Senate meeting.

Each organization received \$1,000 from the Senate, but the cheerleaders' request raised the most controversy. The group requested a reimbursement for a training camp it attended during the summer. The cheerleaders also would like new uniforms.

"Our biggest expense is the training session," said Linda Lunow, speaker for the organization. "We do not have the same budget as the football and basketball teams. We have four uniforms, and only one of them is the correct color."

"The expense of outfitting the squad has taken second place to our training."

The treasury committee recommended to reduce the allocation amount to \$660, but received opposition from the Senate.

"Uniforms are expensive," said Lydia Meadows, sophomore senator. "They're not something you can just buy off the rack at Wal-Mart. It will



Senior senator Derrick Good cuts watermelons donated by the College food service, AmeriServe, while junior senator Mike Williams distributes them to students standing in line Tuesday in the BSC Lions' Den.

not hurt us that much to give them the whole amount."

Jason Talley, sophomore senator, also agreed, but for a different reason.

"Take a look at the athletics at this school," he said. "They probably give this school the most publicity. This is a cheap price to pay for the publicity they give us."

John Weedn, Senate president, supported the decision to allocate the funds, but he believes the money should have come from the athletic department.

"I don't think the Senate should have to donate money to the cheerleaders," he said. "Making the allocation was right, but maybe it should not fall on the Senate."

At next week's meeting, the Senate will review allocation requests from the Social Science Club, SADHA, and Southern Concepts.

Treasurer Hollis Spencer said the Senate's budget should increase to approximately \$12,000 after it receives funds from the summer session.

In other business, Weedn asked the senators to submit nominations for a new student regent, Stacy Schoen, the current student regent, explained the position.

"It's a wonderful job to meet people," she said. "The student regent will attend the Board of Regents' meeting each month. He or she will also attend the meeting of the Coordinating Board for Higher Education and will be interviewed by the governor."

Weedn said the new student regent has to be a Missouri resident and a freshman, sophomore, or junior who will be able to serve two years.

"This is a really super important position, and Stacy has done a wonderful job," he said. "We need someone who will be our voice to the Board of Regents."

The Senate has created a new business forum to cap off each meeting. In this forum, senators discuss possible items to bring in front of the Senate.

Nicole Berkner, sophomore senator, suggested creating non-smoking areas outside the campus buildings.

"There are always ashtrays and people smoking around the benches on the campus," she said.

Meadows disagreed with the suggestion.

"Unfortunately, for those who do smoke, they are addicted to it," she said. "Where are they supposed to smoke?"

CAREER DAY

Seminars to assist job hunt

By STEPHANIE GOAD
STAFF WRITER

Next week's Career Development Day is expected to help shape students' futures by providing opportunity for interaction with professionals in the work force.

Nancy Loomer, director of career planning and placement, said the purpose of Career Development Day is to "assist students in career decision making at all levels."

A networking reception will kick off the event at 6 p.m. Tuesday in Phinney Recital Hall. It will allow interested parties to meet with professionals on a more informal basis.

"Career Development Day provides an opportunity to meet with many professionals to practice interacting with them in a professional, social setting," Loomer said.

She said she expects a good turnout for the event.

"Last year we had about 700 students attend, and we were really pleased with that," she said. "This year we're hoping to see at least that many."

"We are offering some different activities not offered previously, and we're hoping those activities will meet the needs of a different population of students."

Academic break-out sessions, where faculty will present information about their academic majors, are set from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday in Matthews Hall.

"This is designed to help students who have not declared a major as well as students who are considering changing majors," Loomer said.

She added that students will be able to obtain information about various programs to help them make those decisions.

Career booths and career break-out sessions are planned from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Billingsly Student Center.

Loomer said that with the new features this year, career planning and placement is developing a new approach to assisting students in the job search.

"We've had a career fair for years, but last year it changed," she said. "Now we tend to focus more on career development information."

"There's something for everyone. We've selected 31 broad career fields to represent."

DENTAL HYGIENE DEPARTMENT

Hygienists work hard, have fun

For \$5, students can receive exam, cleaning, X-rays

By GENIE UNDERNEHR
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Although Missouri Southern has a demanding dental hygiene program, the students involved have found they can study hard and still have fun.

"It's a rigorous program, and it's not for the faint of heart," said Gretchen Hinkle, junior dental hygiene major. "We have a lot of fun, but it's a lot of hard work, too."

Dental hygiene students have to take one year of prerequisite classes before they are accepted into the program. The actual program consists of one year of academics and one year working in the College's dental clinic.

At the clinic, located in the Ummel Technology Building, student hygienists get actual experience in different aspects of dental hygiene.

"Everything we do we have done on each other, so we know exactly what the patients are going through," said Robyn Stitlik, senior dental hygiene major. And there are only 13 of us.

"We have gotten to know each other very well. It's like one big family."

Rhonda White, dental hygiene instructor, said each student's work is checked by a faculty member or by one of the two supervising dentists, Dr. Eric Crawford or Dr. Sam Miller.

"We get a lot of experience," Stitlik said. "We are hygienists in this clinic. We are just supervised."

Patients can receive a number of services including anything from getting their teeth cleaned to full-mouth X-rays. The cost is \$5 to Southern students and \$15 to the public.

"The students are second-year hygienists in their junior or senior levels," White said.

"They have a lot of credit hours for an associate's degree, and this experience benefits them in the long run. They are able to see the world they will enter."

The hygienists can give thorough home-care hygiene



Mary Lou Graham, Joplin, receives a thorough cleaning from Judy Berhorst, junior dental hygiene major, at the College's Dental Hygiene Clinic Tuesday. The clinic is open to the public every Tuesday and Thursday.

instructions, sealants, teeth polishing, amalgam (silver) fillings, fluoride treatments, and head and neck oral cancer screenings.

"We don't do any type of restorative treatment," White said. "We focus primarily on preventative measures."

If the patients have any problem with their teeth like fillings and crowns, we refer them to their regular dentists."

Hinkle and Stitlik said they get a great amount of satisfaction from the program.

"For me, I know the desire has always been there to be involved in the dentistry field," Hinkle said. "After the first two times [working in the clinic], you realize how well you know what you have been taught."

Stitlik said all the hard work is

definitely worth the effort.

"You know you're ready to work in the clinic, but the you're scared to death the first time," she said. "It's a stressful program, but it's really exciting to make a difference."

"It makes you feel good when patients come back and their mouths are really healthy."

"Your teeth are very important, and how people care for their teeth shows a lot about them."

The hygienists agreed the biggest inconvenience is having to recruit their own patients.

"We don't advertise in the community because we don't want to compete with the dentists in the community," White said. "We operate primarily through word of mouth, which means most students bring in their families and friends."

Students have to meet certain requirements to graduate the program, and they need patients to satisfy the criteria.

"We depend on our patients for the completion of our program," Hinkle said.

The clinic is open from 8 a.m.-11:15 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.-3:45 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday.

Persons interested in utilizing the services offered at the clinic can call 625-9379 for an appointment.

White said an average session lasts approximately three hours.

"This is basically for anyone who has time to spend but not the finances," she said. "We do a thorough job, and we are always more than happy to see anyone."

SOUTHERN NEWS BRIEFS

SADHA to begin fund raiser Friday

The Student Association of Dental Hygienists of America will begin its annual fund raiser Friday.

The organization is raffling off two large pizzas from Pizza By Stout, one set of tires, free McDonald's food, a \$25 Target gift certificate, a Lowe's gift certificate, and a \$10 gift certificate from Cooky's Cafe in Golden City.

Tickets are \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. SADHA members have set a goal to sell 50 tickets each. The raffle will continue until Oct. 14 and the drawings will take place on the Carol Parker Show. All proceeds will go toward trips the organization will make.

To buy raffle tickets, persons can contact the Dental Hygiene department at 625-9379.

Faculty Values Forum to discuss diversity

The Values Forum, a group organized last year by Missouri Southern faculty, will hold a Colloquium on Multi-Culturalism and Cultural Relativism at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5 in the Billingsly Student Center House of Lords Room.

"Over the last several years, the long, historical debate about the treatment of ethnic and cultural diversity in our society has received a fair amount of attention in the media," said Barry Brown, Values Forum Organizer.

The Forum will focus on both sides of the issue. The "politically correct" states that all cultures represent equally valid ways of perceiving and understanding the world and of defining how the members of those cultures should lead their lives.

The other side suggests cultural relativism, by glorifying culture and ethnicity, fosters and promotes the kind of ethnic hatreds we see simmering in Bosnia, Rwanda, and throughout the world.

Dr. Paul Teverow, associate professor of history, suggested using a chapter from the recent book *The Defeat of the Mind* by the French political theorist Alain Finkielkraut as a springboard for the discussion.

Anyone interested in obtaining a copy of this selection can contact the office of Academic Affairs at Ext. 9394. Copies will also be placed on reserve in the Spiva Library.

Childhood Conference to feature exhibitors

The Department of Education at Missouri Southern will host an Early Childhood Conference Saturday, Oct. 7, in Matthews Hall.

Registration for the program, called "Reaching Developmentally Appropriate Practice Through Themes," begins at 8 a.m.

Workshop sessions will be held throughout the day with a keynote address by Linda Holliman, educational consultant, scheduled for 9 a.m.

Holliman presents workshops nationally for Creative Teaching Press as well as her own company, Bookworks.

Commercial exhibitors will display books and materials available for purchase from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The conference is designed for area day care providers, parent educators, preschool, kindergarten, and first-grade teachers.

Conference registration fee is \$15 (\$10 for students). Participants will be responsible for their own lunches.

To register, or for additional information, persons may call 625-9309.

LION now provides access to periodicals

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Diversity begins at home

Before Missouri Southern looks to understand the diversity of the international world, it should first look to comprehend fully the already existing diversity within its own community.

Southern's efforts to provide an international aspect to its education is highly commendable in this era when the world seems to be getting smaller and the need to know and understand other cultures is imperative to the growth of any individual. While it is good we learn a foreign language and understand foreign cultures, we should also learn and understand the many cultures of the American society.

Southern, like most colleges and universities, offers U.S. History. Most require it for graduation. Often the class undermines the many contributions and influences of the many cultures that influence the development of the American society. Generally the perspective taken in those classes is that of the white, Anglo-Saxon, Christian, heterosexual male. Thus, the diverse roles of groups such as the Native Americans, African-Americans, Asian-Americans, women, homosexuals, and many others are often ignored.

Many colleges and universities offer degrees in the study of the many minority groups of America. These studies include classes on African-American history, women, and homosexuals. These colleges and universities have realized the influential role the many different groups have played in the continuous construction of America.

Southern does offer very few classes dealing with minority issues, however the coverage is not adequate. To recognize and understand the role minorities play in America, more classes are needed.

Southern's failure to recognize this role has detrimental effects. To install a sense of diversity in today's students about international countries and totally ignore the diversity of the American population serves no purpose except increasing the lack of self-awareness that is apparent in America today.

As an institution of higher learning, it is the responsibility of the College to provide students with a complete understanding of the many aspects that create a culture. To understand the diversity that creates the societies over the sea takes an already existing understanding of the diversity that creates the society where one lives. □

YOUR LETTERS

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Independents are virtuous, too

When you think of the political party, the Independent, you might think we stand for nothing. We are neither Republican nor Democrat. Many of you think we don't know where we stand on issues.

I am sorry, but that is incorrect. I have

my own views on certain issues. I just don't let a certain political party tell me where to stand. Not all Independents are the same.

The reason I choose to be an Independent is because I am not happy what is going on in both parties. My views

are based on my relationship with God and His word. You may or may not agree with me, but that is just my Independent Philosophy.

Robert Moss

Freshman business administration

Hood's response affects integrity

Mr. Paul Hood's long-winded, condescending, and inflammatory letters to the editor over the past several years are getting most tiresome! Take, for example, his recent essay on the "glorious history of the Confederate flag" published in the Sept. 14 issue of *The Chart*. Once again, Mr. Hood tries to educate us with derision and misinformation; and oh yes "silly" MSSC students, he needs to tell us he is being sarcastic, too.

Overall, Mr. Hood's essay is a valid response to a prior column by *Chart* managing editor, Dan Wiszkon. Mr. Hood rightly points out that the Confederate flag is offensive to African-Americans. Seems pretty reasonable; but instead of taking a reasonable approach, Mr. Hood, in characteristic style, chooses to repeatedly beat us over the head by belittling individuals he thinks might not

be convinced. He'd rather indulge in his own arrogance than tell us why all Americans (including himself) should not view the Confederate flag as a "proud symbol of the South."

Take me, for example. I am not African-American, and I am a Kappa Alpha alumnus, and I do not own, display, or fly the Confederate flag. I supported efforts to remove the Confederate symbol from all state flags, all government offices, and public places.

Why? To Mr. Hood, I must be an enigma. In his effort to slam dunk our faces into the concrete, he has failed to point out the Confederate flag is not only offensive to his so-called "silly Negroes" but to all Americans who are dismayed by the conditions that existed in the United States prior to and including the Civil War.

Rather than invoke perverted memo-

ries of Ted Bundy, Mr. Hood should point out to Mr. Wiszkon that we must realize the Confederate flag is a complex symbol. Any watching of the PBS Civil War series reveals this grim episode of American history brought out the worst and best in society. Furthermore, we cannot deny a distinct "Old South" culture which contributed to shaping the fabric of modern America. A quick look at the architecture of Washington, D.C. shows we all revel in the democratic ideals of Athenian society; but they too were slave holders. Are we wrong to respect ancient Greek culture? Surely, Mr. Hood, you don't really believe that the "people who still fly the Confederate flag" are calling for a return to the days of slavery? Shouldn't there be a symbol to celebrate the positive contributions of the "Old

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EDITOR'S COLUMN

Wall of separation

Education of mind and spirit important

Less than three years ago I wandered into Ann Allman's office looking for some advice and direction, scarcely able to articulate my own thoughts and needs. That very week I joined 12 other bewildered pilgrims in the Return to Learn class, and shortly thereafter began lugging a 50-pound backpack around campus with the label "non-traditional" stamped across my forehead in red ink.

I had shelved my college goals along with my high school diploma, and now I'm racing to get my degree before my daughter joins me on campus. (She prefers it that way.) The years of wiping runny noses and bandaging skinned knees were well spent, but the classroom has been a welcome change of scenery.

My kids warned me that it is very uncool to enjoy school, but I can't help myself. It feels good to know how to work an algebraic equation, to know how to read a French menu, to understand how the sun transfers energy to life forms on earth. It is exciting to meet new people and be exposed to different perspectives.

One perspective, however, seems conspicuously absent on this campus. And in spite of all I'm learning, my experiences here have left me with some disturbing questions.

For example, how is it possible to teach American history and never mention religion or God? How can we hope to understand the Constitution and ensure the liberties it upholds if we ignore the philosophy on which it is based? Isn't it intellectually dishonest to leave out such a key element in our national identity?

Is patriotism passe in the new wave of multiculturalism? How can we talk about

Aileen Gronewold
Education
Editor



embracing other cultures when we as a nation and a college are increasingly rejecting our own rich heritage?

If education is supposed to produce tolerance, why is it OK for a professor to ridicule my faith and blaspheme my God in the classroom? Would he feel as free to poke fun at the tenets of Islam? Or would that be politically incorrect?

Why is the theory of evolution seldom presented as a "theory"? Shouldn't inquiring minds be presented with other theories?

If we all coozed out of some primordial mud, how did the human conscience develop? On what basis do humans determine what is "right" and what is "wrong"? And what difference does it make anyway if we're just going back to our mud?

I am grateful for the education I'm receiving at Missouri Southern, but it saddens me that the most important issues of life seem to be taboo here. There is no wall of separation between the spirit and the mind, and constructing one in the educational system only produces graduates who are hollow at the core. What good is knowledge without wisdom?

In the words of a humble Jewish carpenter, "What does it profit a man to gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" □

IN PERSPECTIVE

CAB grateful for input

Getting the most for the activity fund

One of my biggest fears when I started college was that no one would know me.

I had heard the horror stories of how in some colleges and universities you become a face in a sea of faces and few people know you.

I came from a medium-sized high school, and everyone knew everyone else. I was one of those "joiner" types. I belonged to so many clubs and councils that I stayed very active and didn't have to worry that people did not know me. But what would I do in college?

I couldn't afford to join a sorority and didn't know of any clubs in my department. Besides, I had to work two jobs and had very little free time. But I wanted to join something. I felt restless not doing outside activities.

On the day of freshman assessment, I found the thing I had been looking for.

It was perfect. Busy was their middle name. It was the Campus Activities Board.

I started going to meetings which are held every other week. I found the people to be interested in my opinion and there was always something to be done. I started making suggestions, and the CAB folks seemed to like my ideas. Before I knew it, I was hooked. I was a CAB junkie.

I could never figure out why the meetings weren't packed full until last year. I was told that people didn't seem to want to be involved. If they only knew what I knew.

So now this year, I am the president. I talk it up so everyone and anyone will listen. I feel like sometimes I'm talking to a brick wall with a microphone I don't think is plugged in.

Most people don't realize why CAB exists. If they knew, they might pay more attention.

CAB was founded to provide students

Erica Doennig
CAB President



on and off campus with entertainment. Not boring stuff, but things like dances, movies, and special events. We also buy tickets and passes to different places so we can offer them to students a discount.

To do all of these things we need some serious funds. Believe it or not, we don't get our fund by the grace of God. CAB is one of the two organizations at MSSC which receives their funding from the students.

Yes, I said the students. We use a percentage of student activity fees to pay for all the wonderful things that we do for you. Now, you may be thinking, I pay for this stuff and some of it I don't like.

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And if you're thinking that you can't make the meetings because of class or work, just stop by our office in BSC Room 100 and ask us about what went on or how you can help.

It's that easy. You don't have to attend meetings to be a member, and you can have a say in what we do.

We are your organization and we need your input.

So next time you want to give us your opinion, do it. We'll listen. □

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YOUR LETTERS

Redemption can happen anywhere

Over the years, I've come to enjoy observing the divergent manner in which humankind searches for its soul. Oftentimes this "soul searching" is joyful, sometimes painful, and frequently downright humorous. Unfortunately amid the bliss, pain, and silliness associated with our pilgrimages, there comes a corporate risk. That risk is the gamble of eliminating "community" within a community. And the risk is perpetuated, seemingly, by the large number of persons who either refuse to understand, or cannot comprehend paradox.

I chuckled myself this morning as I read headlines and associated stories in *The Wichita Eagle* and *The Chart*. The *Eagle* heads read:

"City OKs Worship in Nightclubs"

"Methodists plan services at Cowboy Club"

In dril contrast *The Chart* titles stated:

"Sect should have no say"

"Church, restaurant spar over space"

The *Eagle* article reported, "One of Wichita's hottest nightspots, the Cowboy Club, and one of Wichita's biggest churches, the First United Methodist, got approval from the Wichita City Council on Tuesday for plans to hold one-hour church services on Saturday nights in Old Town." The Rev. Joe Cobb approached the council stating, "Our desire is to provide a place where strangers can become faithful friends."

The *Chart* city news story successfully noted the to-many-too-familiar issue at hand.

I was, however, taken aback by some of the sightless language in the "Sect should have no say" editorial.

To assume Redemption cannot occur in a "place that used to host love-struck teenagers and bred thoughts of impurity and immorality," is as insane as Mack Evans' surmised fear of a sip of champagne at a wedding rehearsal in a restaurant too close to Eden.

I wish all of you the opportunity to read the literary works of

Frederick Buechner, Flannery O'Connor, and Graham Greene who offer prophetic profiles of characters who despite their frailties, became saints.

The "Whiskey Priest" in Greene's *The Power and the Glory* is one who despite his alcoholism and fornication, remains faithful in bringing Mass to the peasants during the oppressive Mexican Revolution. Martyrdom is that which liberates him in the end.

The coniving, cheating preacher, Leo Bebb, is brought to life in Buechner's *Books of Bebb*.

Notwithstanding his ineptitude, lack of integrity, and brush with the law for indecent exposure, Bebb brings healing to those around him, and even pulls a Lazarus out of his hat, by resurrecting his friend from the dead.

The anthologies of Flannery O'Connor are filled with dark, comedic, haunting stories which reveal, time and again, that Redemption can take place in the most asinine of circumstances, with those most idiotic. I'd encourage all, especially *The Chart* editors, to read the works of these authors and become pleasantly disturbed.

Certainly many of you are thinking I'm missing the point on this whole issue. I don't think so.

If you accept the premise that Redemption can happen anywhere, (whether it be the Cowboy Club in Wichita on Saturday night, or an "ancient, abandoned movie theater" on Sunday morning) then you may see how important it is for humankind to be vulnerable and open with each other.

It is through this openness, this emptiness, that true "community" can begin to exist within a community. The issue is not alcohol, or laws pertaining thereto. The issue is about community and peacemaking. In *The Different Drum*, M. Scott Peck writes, "we are all called to be peacemakers, whether we like it or not." I agree. Keep the Peace.

Kurt Parsons
1978 Missouri Southern graduate

FLAGS OF FURY



Shelly Elias, freshman undecided major; Mary Ann Hayes, freshman nursing applicant; Dawn Moore, senior art major; and Jennifer Schumaker, senior secondary education major, practice their flag routine last Tuesday in the lobby of the Taylor Performing Arts Center.

INTEGRITY, FROM PAGE 4

South? The problem is: the Confederate flag should not be that symbol.

The most troubling point about Mr. Hood's journalistic style is his willingness to make his point by attacking specific individuals and organizations without justification.

For example, he states that "members of the Kappa Alpha fraternity...still fly the Confederate flag."

Does Mr. Hood know it is

against national policy of the Kappa Alpha Order to display the Confederate flag?

Does the local chapter of Kappa Alpha, Delta Xi, fly the Confederate flag?

Did Mr. Hood bother to find out? Or is he just interested in slander?

As editor of *The Undergrowth*, Mr. Hood has certain obligations to society.

His letters to the editor of *The Chart* over the years

cause me to question his journalistic ethics, and, hence, the integrity of his publication.

Noble points lose their grandeur when put forth with misinterpretation, insults, and sarcasm.

Dr. John Knapp
Associate professor, geophysics

YOUR LETTERS

Fluoridation has no effect

I was surprised to read in *The Chart* (September 21, 1995) that the pros and cons of fluoridation can be boiled down to "a safety or money matter." It's neither.

Fluoride simply has no proven value when added to a city's water system. While it is true that, over the past 50 years, there has been a definite decrease in the incidence of tooth decay in cities with fluoridated water, those cities that have never fluoridated their water have shown equal decreases in the incidence of dental disease among their citizenry.

The explanation is that improved toothpaste, increased access to dentists, and overall better dental hygiene has lead to overall improved dental health.

While it might be "more unusual for a community not to have fluoride in the [water] supply than to have it," those cities that do are simply wasting their taxpayers' money.

Dr. John Knapp
Associate professor, geophysics

YOUR LETTERS

Two instructors for price of one

No doubt about it, Jackson and Bitterbaum are two fantastic guys! They have some incredible insight and a plethora of knowledge, operating as a dynamic Tag Team Teaching Duo.

How glorious that those of us who signed up for Dr. Jackson's 101 Biology class received such a spectacular deal "two for the price of one." Complete euphoria, now we have two perspectives that deluge the classroom with awe and wonder. "A real bargain hunter's dream?"

Interestingly enough, though, the 25 percent of the students I have conversed with are battling with a severe case of buyer's remorse. It seems as though the Lights from the "Blue Light Special", were so amazingly bright that they were unable to see Bitterbaum's name on the line number of the Fall '95 schedule. Some of the obvious symptoms of this buyer remorse are teacher lecture note blues and test result anxiety.

There seems to be another "perspective" that has been overlooked. It is not "Two Perspectives are better than one, it is not A Bargain Hunter's Dream, and it is not Jackson or Bitterbaum's character, it is, however, not everyone else is walking around in complete ecstasy because they now have two professors and two perspectives.

Ty Thompson
Sophomore accounting major

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CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR

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11 a.m. to 1 p.m.—
Koinonia Campus Ministries, basement of Residence Hall B
12:15 p.m.—
Sigma Tau Delta meeting, Seminar Room
12:15 p.m.—
Psychology Club meeting, Room 123
12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m.—
Spanish Conversation Club meeting, for information call 624-7996
5:30 p.m.—
BSU Bowling/Fellowship Night
7:30—
Rockapella, Taylor Auditorium, free community concert

Friday 29

CAB Pool Tournament sign up, BSC 102
4:30 p.m.—
Deadline for student/organizational annual reports, BSC 102
4:30 p.m.—
Deadline for Homecoming Royalty nominations, BSC 102

Saturday 30

7 p.m.—
Lions football vs. University of Missouri-Rolla, Fred G. Hughes Stadium

Sunday 1

9:30 a.m.—
Bible Study, behind the residence halls

Monday 2

2 p.m.—
Mandatory Royalty photo session
7 p.m.—
BSU Bible Studies, behind the residence halls

Tuesday 3

Noon—
Newman Club, Catholic organization meeting, BSC Room 306
12:20 p.m.—
Arab League meeting, Webster 202
6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.—
Career Development Day Networking Reception, Phinney Recital Hall

Wednesday 4

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.—
Career Development Day, BSC second floor
1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.—
Free and confidential HIV testing by Joplin City Health Department, Kuhn Hall, Room 301, call 625-9323 for more information
3 p.m.—
National Broadcasting Society-AERho meeting, Webster Hall, Studio B
12 p.m. to 12:50—
BSU Luncheon/couner
4 p.m.—
Phi Eta Sigma meeting, BSC 306
5:30 p.m.—
Student Senate meeting, House of Lords Room, BSC 31

If you have an event you would like listed on the Campus Events Calendar, please call Fekadu at The Chart 625-9331.

DEBATE TEAM

Squad learns lesson at first tourney

Debate team ranks low; members prepared for next tournament

By DAN WISZKON
MANAGING EDITOR

The debate team came away from the Johnson County (Kan.) Community College tournament over the weekend with what coach Eric Marlow called a learning experience.

Jason Newton and Kim Lawry placed 10th in the 16-team tourney while Stuart Smart and newcomer Doug Dennis took 11th. It was the squad's first action of the fall season.

The topic for this season deals with issues concerning Latin America, such as its trade, immigration, the war on drugs, and environment.

"We needed to be more prepared," Dennis said. "It was a hectic weekend, and a lot of things happened that we didn't expect would happen."

Marlow said this tournament was a vehicle for teams to see how other teams operated.

He believes his squad learned from observing its opponents and can now focus its efforts in a better way.

"They've been working hard, and I think it's only a matter of time until they do better," Marlow said. "We usually have slow starts because it takes us a while to figure

out what everyone else is doing.

"For a lot of schools, this was their second tournament on the topic where it was our first."

"We made some minor, early-semester mistakes that could have been done differently," Dennis said. "We debated poorly, but I would've quit long ago if I didn't think we could improve."

The squad did some last-minute shuffling by replacing senior economics major Eric Dicharry with Lawry.

"I was really impressed with Kim because she didn't find out she was debating until we got there," Marlow said. "And they still managed to pull off a couple of wins."

Marlow said the tournament featured a big win by Smart and Dennis over the

University of Central Oklahoma's top team. The Oklahoma team recently placed in semifinals at the Southwestern College tournament in Winfield, Kan.

According to Marlow, teamwork was one of the squad's strongest points at the tournament. He said all five members of the squad are about equal in ability and each individual has a different strength to contribute.

"They're all pretty decent friends," he said, "which makes it a lot easier."

The squad's next action will be at Southwest Missouri State University on Oct. 6-9.

"Hopefully, we'll be able to use what we learned to improve our chances at SMS," Marlow said. □

GIFT OF LIFE DAY

“Anybody might need blood. You never know.”

Blood drive exceeds expectations

By FEKADU KIROS
CAMPUS EDITOR

Red Cross received more blood than expected Monday at The Gift of Life Day blood drive in the Billingsly Student Center.

The event, sponsored by the HIV/STD prevention task force and the Student Nurses' Association, raised approximately 110 pints of blood. This amount exceeds the estimates and donations given in the past.

More than 160 people showed up to donate blood, but about 50 were turned down, according to Val Carlisle, coordinator of student activities.

Some students were unable to give blood due to health reasons such as taking medication or having flu symptoms. Others couldn't donate because of the large number of people lined up for the event. Some students waited more than an hour and didn't want to be late for classes, Carlisle said.

"I think the contest helped, and we advertised it well in advance instead of the Red Cross doing it a day or two before the drive," she said.

The HIV/STD prevention task force gave away \$231, and those who gave blood were eligible to participate.

Stacy Schoen won the drawing. The Student Nurses' Association won the group prize by having 39 percent of its members participate.

"We had a lot of people, but it was slow at first," said Allene



Margie Heaton, registered nurse, performs tests on freshman Brenda Dryer, who donated blood in Gift of Life Day Monday afternoon in the BSC. Dryer is one of the more than 110 people who donated blood at the event.

Myer, a Red Cross volunteer for 30 years. "Anybody might need blood. You never know."

"I was moderately pleased [with the turnout]," said Julia Foster, campus nurse and co-organizer of the task force.

"I wanted to give to those who are not as fortunate," said Duane Sidney, a junior communications major who has donated blood 12 times.

Throughout the day, videos were shown and Mickey Mantle memorabilia was on display. The information concerning an organ donor network was popular with students, Carlisle said.

Other information booths available for students included the Student Health Outreach Team, a new student organization trying to promote a healthier lifestyle on campus.

Representatives from Planned Parenthood, Lafayette House, and the Joplin City Health Department were on hand to pass out flyers and provide information.

"People came by and asked about our services," said Maggie Holt, a registered nurse with the Joplin City Health Department.

Another blood drive is tentatively planned for February. □

CAMPUS ORGANIZATION

Oldest club disbanded, replaced by new

College Players departs; Back Stage steps up to fill theatre dept. gap

By MICHAEL DAVISON
ARTS EDITOR

Out of the ashes of the disbanded College Players, Back Stage will try to reunite the stagehands of the theatre department.

Established in 1938-39 at Joplin Junior College, College Players was the oldest student organization on campus. It was disbanded last spring by the theatre faculty due to lack of student participation in the organization.

"There was a general lack of interest in College Players," said Sam Claussen, associate professor of theatre. "This is not a replacement for College Players; this is a different organization with different people."

Back Stage will be more geared toward those who work behind the scenes rather than those who openly participate in productions.

"There hadn't been a lot of pride in the backstage work over the last few years," said Debbie Burbridge, freshman theatre major and president of Back Stage. "We have a bunch of incoming freshmen, and Ruth Wood and I talked about putting something together that allowed people a

place of camaraderie and also a place where you could learn something about backstage."

"It's something that you can be involved in if you don't want to be up on stage, under the lights," she said. "I think everybody likes that collective feeling and being joined."

"We want to promote interests in the technical aspects of the theatre," Burbridge said.

"We encourage practical experience and the participation in all the technical work."

The collective group is more powerful than an individual, Burbridge said, in getting things students want.

"We thought this would be a good way to get involved with United States

Institute of Theatre Technology's national conferences and area lectures about our trade and craft."

Although the organization is not official yet, steps have been taken along that path.

"It wasn't that hard," Burbridge said. "We went over in CAB, we got the information, we wrote a constitution, the faculty went over it, and we have assembled the group and have the necessary amount of signatures to solicit

ourselves as a group."

Generating interest was not a problem for Burbridge, after the break-up of College Players.

"Originally, we didn't know exactly what we were going to do," she said, "but people came up and said 'Yeah, I want to be a part of that.'"

“It's something you can be involved in if you don't want to be on stage, under the lights. I think everybody likes that collective feeling and being joined.”

Debbie Burbridge
Back Stage president

Another purpose of the group is to give incoming freshmen a way to become part of the theatre program, Burbridge said.

"It made them inclusive of a group of upper-classmen," she said. "And it also allowed for some peer modeling, or someone they can talk to who

is not in authority of that person, but still has dealt with the same type of situation."

The image of the theatre department was in need of a change, said Ruth Wood, sophomore speech and theatre education major.

"As theatre majors, we have a bad image, and there is a reason for that image," she said, "but we need to keep our freshmen as clean as possible." □

PHI ALPHA THETA

History students attend meeting

By RONNA SPARKS
STAFF WRITER

Members of Missouri Southern's Phi Alpha Theta experienced something that is not available to most undergraduate students.

Students involved in the honorary history society attended the Midwest America Conference on History.

"The Mid-America Conference is not meant for undergraduate students," said Dr. Virginia Laas, assistant professor of history and Phi Alpha Theta adviser. "It's a meeting of professional historians."

Laas said Southern's Phi Alpha Theta members are usually the only undergraduates in attendance at the conference, which took place Sept. 14-16 at SMSU.

“They sit in these sessions and remember things from courses they had two years ago.”

Dr. Virginia Laas
Adviser

Although most individuals at the conference are graduate students or Ph.D.s, Southern students are able to hold their own and boost their confidence about their knowledge, she said.

"It's great to see them sit in these sessions and hear papers and for them to realize they know enough to have an opinion and to make critical judgments," Laas said.

The conference also allows the students to apply the classes they have taken to what they hope to do in the future.

"They sit in these sessions and they remember things from courses they had two years ago," she said.

"They see how this new information fits in with what they learned in class and they see how historians go about writing and doing history."

The conference is made up of instructors and doctoral students who present papers on their latest research and the students' research from all aspects and in all fields of history, Laas said.

"It's small enough that it's easy to get around," Laas said. "You hear good papers, and it gets you all fired up to getting back and doing your own research."

The conference also aids the authors of the papers read by releasing them to the public.

"You give papers as kind of try-outs for your ideas before you try to present anything you write for publication," she said.

Phi Alpha Theta participates in a regional conference in the spring especially designed for students. □

Missionaries perks up coffeehouse

Local band plays songs from new CD at first Grind concert

By KEVIN COLEMAN
STAFF WRITER

Missionaries were spreading the gospel of rock-n-roll at The Grind Saturday night.

Missionaries is a local alternative band which has been playing the bar scene here and around the country for several years now.

"We've played one other coffeehouse," said Jacques Garoutte, lead guitarist and vocalist for the band.

"They served alcohol, though."

"This is a different atmosphere, although some of the people here were drunk."

The Grind, 506 Joplin Ave., has been open for approximately one month.

Daron Goode, the owner, said Missionaries is the first major band to be featured at the coffeehouse.

"I've been putting these guys on a pedestal," he said. "But they're just ordinary, nice guys, like anybody else."

Other members of Missionaries

are Greg Krutinger, lead vocals and guitar; Blake Webster, bass; and Conrad Webster, drums.

The band has two CDs out. Its first album, *Dreamland*, has just been released in Belgium with four extra cuts not included on the American release.

The second album, *Superficial Self-Amusement*, was released in the area in March.

"*Dreamland* just went to No. 11 on the album chart in Belgium," Garoutte said.

"I've been putting these guys on a pedestal, but they're just ordinary, nice guys, like anybody else."

Daron Goode
Owner, The Grind

Missionaries' set at The Grind included cuts from both CDs and "songs that aren't on any album," Garoutte said.

He and Krutinger started Missionaries in 1987, but the band's personnel has changed since.

Superficial Self-Amusement was recorded while the Webster Brothers were in Texas with The

Victors. Mark Holbrook played bass on the album.

Missionaries is on the road most of the time. The band plays Thursday night in Des Moines, Iowa, before going on to Lincoln, Neb.

Chip Gubera opened the show with an acoustical set, somewhat different from what you might see



In promotion of its new album, *Superficial Self-Amusement*, Missionaries, Conrad Webster, Blake Webster, Greg Krutinger, and Jacques Garoutte, played at The Grind, 506 Joplin Ave., Saturday night.

him perform with The Sodomites.

The set included mostly love songs not featured on The Sodomites' new CD, *Copulation of the Nation*.

Between Gubera's set and the Missionaries' set, the average age of the audience increased by 5-10 years.

At the beginning of the evening,

most of the people in the house appeared to be 15-22.

By the time Missionaries was in the middle of their set, most of the club's clients looked to be 25-30.

The Grind is not a bar, Goode sees it as "a place where you can stimulate your mind."

It has a reading area stocked

with books and magazines, a television area, and a black-light room.

Two guys were playing chess while the band played.

Sunday night, The Grind held poetry reading.

Friday night, the club will feature Big Bad Chubba, and Love Janis will perform on Saturday. □

Exhibit to feature drawing series

By MICHAEL DAVISON
ARTS EDITOR

Advanced Drawing students will have an opportunity to not only get a grade for their works but see their works on display, too.

Beginning Monday, the Spiva Art Gallery will display particular works from the Advanced Drawing class as the second exhibition of the gallery this year.

"It's part of the mission of the gallery to serve the department," said Val Christensen, director of Spiva Art Gallery.

"We provide an opportunity to put classroom

work on the wall and share it with people outside the class and the rest of the College community."

The students had works due for both the class and the show.

"I deliberately had the due date coincide with the show," said Robert Schwiager, professor of art, "and from that we will select some works to represent the students. It should be a high quality of work from what I've seen."

A special focus of the exhibit will be on a series of drawings.

"A series of drawings is developing a theme," Schwiager said. "This theme will be highly personal because that is the sense of the series' drawing: to

develop an idea based upon the artist's own personal experiences."

Although this is a drawing class, there will be a variety of media used.

"The media won't be too exotic," Schwiager said. "It will be mostly pencil, graphite, charcoal, chalk, and some collage work."

Members of the class whose works will be shown are Jeremy Huan, Neil Baughman, Dawn Moore, Sarah Hall, Angelica Smith, Nancy Erwin, Erin Oglesby, Rich Bennett, Mark Schmidt, Clay Hagebusch, Nicole Knaftal, Debora Reed, and Paula Gilmer.

The exhibit ends Oct. 16. □

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IN YOUR EAR MUSIC CD REVIEWS

Local band shows ability to contrast

By RICK ROGERS
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

It is nice to see a local band like Missionaries spread the sounds of good, soul-based rock'n'roll throughout the four-state area and the nation.

The four-man band consisting of Greg Krutinger, lead vocals, guitar; Jacques Garoutte, guitar, vocals; Conrad Webster, drums; and Mark Holbrook, bass, started in 1987 in Miami, Okla.

The band's second album, *Superficial Self-Amusement*, which was recorded in Outback Records and released in March, has embarked Missionaries on a year-long saga of touring America's grooving club scene.

After listening to *Superficial Self-Amusement*, I found the album's no-nonsense look toward rock'n'roll comparable to big-time bands like the Gin Blossoms, Hootie and the Blowfish, and Better Than Ezra, who have taken over the nation's Top 40 charts with their mellowed Southern sound.

And even Missionaries, like these bands, shows its Southern, or Midwest, gospel influence throughout their 15-track release, especially on songs like "Relief and Killin' Time."

Superficial Self-Amusement begins with "Walk Away," whose up-tempo and smooth lyrics show this band is just years away from a major record deal.



One thing I look for in an album I review is the band's ability to play many different styles of music on one album, giving each song a distinct sound. Missionaries does this well and early in its second release, as the album starts off with the up-beat "Walk Away" and then softens to the soulful rhythms of "Relief and Killin' Time."

But playing in the dim shine of the club scene's limelight is nothing new for Missionaries, which just finished playing at The Grind, a Joplin coffeehouse in Joplin, and now head to Des Moines, Iowa.

But if you catch a Missionaries' show, do not expect to see a production full of explosions and dance pits filled with a raged audience.

But what you can expect is a set filled with good rock'n'roll music, nothing too harsh and nothing too sweet, but music you can sit back and enjoy.

Sometimes with today's upbeat music, I think sitting back would be nice for a change. □

SIGHTS Sounds & so on

ON CAMPUS

Southern Theatre
417-625-3990
October 18/19/20/21—The Fourposter.
Dec. 2/3—The Secret Garden.
Matthews Hall Auditorium
Oct. 10—End of Innocence.
Oct. 24—Late Spring.
Nov. 14—Au Hasard Balthazar.
Nov. 28—Three.
Spiva Art Gallery
Oct. 2-Oct. 16—Advanced Drawing Class Exhibit.
Oct. 27-Nov. 22—Southern Showcase.
Webster Hall auditorium
Sept. 28—Bach Chamber Soloists lecture/demonstration.
Oct. 19—Senior Recital: Rob Lundien, baritone horn and Craig Smith, trumpet.

JOPLIN

The Bypass
624-9095
Oct. 6—Limbo Cafe and Walking on Einstein.
Oct. 7—W. C. Clark Champs Bar and Grill 782-4944.
Sept. 29/30—Night Train. The Grind 788-7999.
Sept. 29—Big Bad Chubba.
Sept. 30—Love Janis.
George A. Spiva Center for the Arts 623-0883.
Now till Oct. 1—Area collections, which includes private collections of area citizens. Artists included are Rembrandt, Pissarro, Henry Moore, Chagall, Salvador Dali, Alexander Calder, Shami, Leonard Baskin, and Leroy Neiman.
Joplin Little Theatre 623-3638.
Sept. 26-Oct. 1—Damn Yankees.

CARTHAGE

Red Oaks II
Sept. 30—Ozark Mountain Daredevils.
Stone's Throw Dinner Theatre 417-358-9665.
Oct. 19/21, 27/29—The Whales of August.
Nov. 30; Dec. 1/2; 8/10—Little Women.

SPRINGFIELD

Juanita K. Hammons Hall for the Performing Arts 1-800-404-3033.
Oct. 1—Maureen McGovern.
Oct. 10/12—Fiddler on the Roof.
Oct. 14—Sleeping Beauty.
Nov. 8/12—Five Guys Named Moe.
Nov. 19—Cleo Laine and John Dankworth.
Hammons Student Center 417-836-7678.
Oct. 15—George Strait with Faith Hill.
Shrine Mosque 417-831-2727.
Sept. 30—Chosen Few Homecoming, with Ricky Skaggs and Kentucky Thunder, Barbara Fairchild, and Chosen Few.
Springfield Ballet 417-862-0343.
Oct. 7/8—Peter Pucci Dancers.
Dec. 20/23—The Nutcracker.

KANSAS CITY

Memorial Hall 866-933330.
Oct. 1—Soul Asylum with Matthew Sweet.
Oct. 22—Praise Crusade.
Oct. 24—Ozzy Osbourne.
Nov. 3—Petra.
Spencer Theatre, Center for the Performing Arts 866-235-2700 or 235-2704.
Oct. 1—Missouri Repertory Theatre.
A Delicate Balance.
UMKC Theatre 866-235-2700 or 235-2704.
Oct. 1—Fifth of July.
Oct. 20, 22, 26, 28, 29—Two Gentlemen of Verona.
Oct. 21, 22, 25, 27/28—Reckless.

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Facility construction hits snag with council

The Carthage City Council met in special session Sept. 18 to hear why an extra \$20,000 is needed to correct water problems at the police facility.

The facility is being constructed at 4th and Lyon.

The discussion began with Archetype Design Limited explaining the money was needed for extra concrete to be poured in the footing of the building. The concrete is needed because of a natural spring located under the facility.

Council members questioned whether the basement of the facility would be guaranteed to remain dry.

The vote was held with eight of the 10 council members present. The funding was denied by a 7-1 vote. □

\$6.4 million budget adopted in Neosho

For the 1995-96 fiscal year, the Neosho City Council will have a \$6.4 million budget.

The decision was made with little time to spare, as Neosho's fiscal year begins Sunday.

The budget was set based on a \$6.1 million projected revenue and the \$6.4 million in expenses expected.

For salaries, the budget allots \$194,402 and includes a 2 percent pay hike for the 96 city employees.

Also, announcements were made regarding new hiring in the city. Two additional police officers will be hired with money allocated through federal grants. A firefighter position was also approved as well as a part-time position in the building inspection department.

The council said \$352,116 will be spent for resurfacing streets. □

Town drug policy waits county testing decision

Drug-testing on city workers in Galena, Kan. has been put on hold while the town's city council analyzes the policy of Crawford County.

Officials decided the town's policy to randomly test all employees would likely be deemed illegal. However, testing workers in "safety-sensitive" positions like police officers, highway patrol, and emergency medical personnel would probably be legal.

In Crawford County, all people with a commercial driver's license must be tested effective Jan. 1.

The policy also says employees may be randomly tested after that. Galena's current policy is to randomly test all town employees. Officials were planning on repealing it until they learned of the Crawford County policy. □

Carl Junction repeals vehicle sticker law

Carl Junction citizens will no longer have to spend an extra \$2.50 a year to place a sticker on their vehicle.

The Carl Junction City Council voted to discontinue the mandatory purchase of the stickers in 1996.

The recommendation was made by the city finance committee.

The stickers have been used for several years as an extra source of revenue for the town.

According to Maribeth Matney, Carl Junction city clerk, many towns have used the stickers as a source of revenue, but most towns have phased out the stickers.

In the past year, 2,800 stickers had been sold with \$7,000 worth of revenue collected by the town.

The finance committee planned to find other ways of making up the lost revenue.

Instead the committee just decided to discontinue the stickers altogether because of lost staff time and postage cost in the sending of the stickers. □

SENIOR CITIZENS' DAY

2,000 revel at Northpark Mall

Gala held to honor contributions of area senior citizens

By VIRGINIA SHAVER
STAFF WRITER

Area Agency on Aging's theme, "The little old engine that could," lent a festive mood to Senior Day at Northpark Mall Sept. 23.

Attending the 13th annual celebration of the event was an estimated 2,000 people from the four-state area.

"Seniors give much of their time to volunteering, I am so pleased

with the past year's efforts," said Beverly Scoggins, director of community service for the agency.

Seniors were given information on the "side track" where 10 exhibitors displayed a broad range of services, products, and health screenings.

Carnations and a chance to win a \$50 gift certificate were given to each registrant with entertainment beginning at 11 a.m.

Butkiewicz, food service director at Missouri Southern, presented a chainsaw ice sculpting demonstration. Butkiewicz has 23 years experience with ice sculpting.

Grandma, She Ain't What She Used to Be, a musical production showcasing fashion vignettes, per-

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Beverly Scoggins
Area Agency on Aging director

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formed in the Famous Barr court 2:30 p.m.

The Pocolodie Singers were featured. Dancers performed to "Shake it, Baby Shake it."

"Senior Day at the Mall offers

seniors an opportunity to share in the community," said Perry Trokey, a volunteer student from Ozark Christian College. "I believe they have a great place of value in our society today."

Northpark Mall Pacers received awards for their walking accomplishments throughout the year.

Senior arts and crafts competition entries were on display in the main entrance area.

Also, people's choice awards were voted on.

"It has been a great day," Paul Sauer, manager of Everything's a Dollar Store said. "This is great for the merchants. Our customer count was doubled."

The day concluded at 9 p.m. with dancing to the music of an eight-piece band.

The celebration was sponsored by Area Agency on Aging, Northpark Mall, and *The Joplin Globe*. □

MOCK DISASTER

Fake crash scene prepares emergency units

By DAN WISZKON
MANAGING EDITOR

Duenweg was filled with fire sirens, a massive auto wreck, and scattered bodies Saturday.

Fortunately, all of this was staged to see how fast firefighters and paramedics would arrive on the scene in case of an actual emergency.

The scene was a drunk-driving accident between two vans of teenagers and a chemical truck carrying 50 gallon barrels of hazardous materials.

The drill was conducted by the Jasper County emergency planning committee near Imperial Chemical Incorporated on Highway AA. Many of the materials used in the practice, such as body suits, tape, etc., were donated by ICI.

Victims for the drill included 17 volunteers from the Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD) organization at Joplin High School. They participated in the activity to help raise awareness and test the emergency unit's disaster response for a mass casualty incident.

Students from Missouri Southern's MSTV were on hand to videotape the event to make a training video for area fire departments, ambu-

lances, industries, and the local emergency planning committee.

"I feel we accomplished what we set out to do," said Judy Johnson, emergency preparedness director for the Jasper County emergency planning committee. "We had a couple of communication glitches between the three Joplin hospitals, but that's why we have these exercises—for a solution to solve these problems."

Johnson believes the SADD volunteers succeeded in promoting their cause.

"Drunk driving is a problem each and every one of us has to be concerned with," she said.

After the victims were decontaminated, they were placed in ambulances from Carthage, Newton County, and Joplin. They were then sent to either McCune-Brooks Hospital, Oak Hill Hospital or St. John's Regional Medical Center, where they were attended to as part of the demonstration.

"Not only does this test the fire department's use of first aid and decontamination, but also the hospitals' ability to handle chemically infected patients," said Linda Ellerbusch of the Jasper County emergency planning committee. "We are testing a lot of things. The practice is good, and they're serious about it." □



J.L. GRIFFIN/The Chart
Several firefighters and Joplin High School students all participated in a mock disaster at the ICI plant. Area hospitals were included to train them as well.

JOPLIN R-8

Health care plan tops school board agenda

By RYAN BRONSON
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Subjects ranging from health care to teaching complex thinking were discussed Tuesday night in the Joplin R-8 School Board meeting.

Every year, the Board revamps the health plan it provides its employees, but this year the committee is taking a different path.

"Like everyone else, we're looking for a better deal," said Dr. Vernon Hudson, superintendent. "We've hired a consultant from Kansas City to help us get that."

Hudson said it is the first time the Board has hired a consultant.

"Hopefully, this will get us an improved deal," he said.

Hudson said it is important that the new health plan have higher quality as well as a better price.

"We're going to take until Jan. 1 to find a deal," he said. "The con-

sultant has brought some things to the table that most of us here don't know about."

A portion of the meeting was devoted to a lecture on complex or metacognitive thinking by Jana Scott, a peer coach at Park Academy. Scott is trying to teach other instructors how to make the classroom a more interesting experience for the students, according to Dr. Carolyn Vandeven, assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction.

"Many teachers teach to students through visualization and hearing," Vandeven said, "but a lot of kids learn better through hands-on experiences."

The idea is to teach these teachers to teach in different kinds of students.

The project has been funded with part of the Model School Grant, a \$5-million-over-five-years implementation to the district. □

THE UNDERGROWTH

New magazine surviving

By J.L. GRIFFIN
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Members of Joplin's newest media source, *The Undergrowth*, could write a book on the pros and cons of publishing a magazine.

The idea for the monthly publication sprouted from a perceived lack of local band coverage by Joplin's mainstream press, according to executive publisher Steve Doubledee.

"The avenues in Joplin for media are conservative," he said.

Starting out with \$600 from the pockets of Doubledee and *The Undergrowth* editor Paul Hood, the magazine is beginning to turn a profit after eight editions.

The magazine debuted in December 1994 with 24 pages and a press run of 2,000, but recent

issues have jumped to 28 pages with a run of 4,000.

Both Hood and Doubledee admitted that preparations for the first issue were the most troublesome since neither of them had any familiarity with how to distribute, charge for advertising, or design a magazine.

"My advice to anyone starting a publication is to cut corners anyway possible until you have the revenue to afford real equipment," Doubledee said.

Dedication of the staff is apparent since no one except the upper-level crew has seen any monetary return. For Doubledee and Hood, the return still has them \$200 poorer before they began the magazine.

The magazine also serves the Pittsburg, Kan., area. It is targeting Fayetteville, Ark., and Springfield as natural areas of expansion. □

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Since his retirement, Robert Harris spends his time preparing for a recital he hopes to give in January.

After 24 years of teaching piano at Southern, Robert Harris plans to continue...

Making Music

By AILEEN GRONEWOLD
EDUCATION EDITOR

Seated comfortably in his piano room, Robert Harris is as unpretentious and gracious as the stately home where he has lived since the age of 3. Two grand pianos dominate the room the way music has dominated his life.

In 1971 Harris brought his passion for piano to Missouri Southern, where he taught until his retirement this summer. His 24 years might best be measured in friendships.

"Not only was Bob Harris an excellent pianist, he was also one of the most dedicated teachers I have ever met," said Dr. Al Carmine, associate professor of music. "He always showed great concern for each of his students."

"My experience at the College has been very positive," Harris said. "I've enjoyed interacting with both the instructors and the students."

He may be out of the classroom, but Harris continues to give private lessons, as he has throughout his entire career.

"I just enjoy working with young people," he said. "I have 12 students presently, which amounts to six hours a week."

Though he misses the classroom, Harris has new goals in sight. He practices three or four hours a day in preparation for a recital he hopes to give in January.

"Last year I determined I was going to give a recital, but I didn't," he said. "I felt the students deserved the best I could give them, and I didn't have enough time to work on my music and conduct business as usual."

His last recital was two years ago and was his first public performance in several years.

"I was trained as a performer and solo teacher," Harris said. "I used to give a recital every year, and I hope to get back to that."

Harris' musical training began in his pre-school years at home. His mother was a piano teacher, but he had several other instructors throughout his childhood.

He received both his bachelor of arts and master's degrees at Pittsburg State University.

Following a stint in the Army, Harris attended the Aspen (Colo.) Music School, where he studied under Rosina Lhevinne for seven summers.

He continued to live in Carthage and give private lessons between school sessions. He never married.

"When the Aspen Music School had their 25th anniversary, they invited me to play the organ for the service," Harris said. "Their concert artists were there in the choir loft, and Madam Lhevinne and the other instructors were there. It's a memory I prize."

In addition to his lessons and recital preparation, Harris is also the director of music at First United Methodist Church in Carthage. He plays the organ for two services every Sunday.

"I wouldn't feel right not participating in church," Harris said. "Music is an aid to help others in their communication, especially with God."

The freedom from a strict schedule will allow Harris to indulge his love for traveling. He made an extensive tour of Canada this summer and is making plans to return. He also looks forward to attending area concerts.

Among other honors he has received, Harris was listed in the *International Who's Who in Music* and the *Marquis Who's Who in America*, but he is reluctant to talk about his achievements.

"I don't like to look back much," he said. "I like to look at upcoming opportunities." □

CENTER FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING

New resource equips faculty

Center to encourage innovative concepts

By LESLIE ROBERTS
STAFF WRITER

Help for faculty members wanting to be the best they can be has arrived on campus.

The Teaching and Learning Center, co-directed by Dr. Betsy Griffin and Dr. Elaine Freeman, has been implemented to promote faculty development and to provide instructional strategies.

The idea for the center started late last spring but didn't get under way until this fall.

"We provide resources for faculty improvement and innovation," Griffin said. "We would like to eventually have a place where faculty could come to get resources, but at this time we don't have a physical location."

"The center is in its earliest stages, but already we have been working with the committee for teaching and learning and the Funding For Results committee," Griffin said.

The Funding For Results project is aimed at enhancing the experiences freshmen have in their first year of college.

"We are working with the FFR committee on the administrative and evaluation side," Freeman said. "At present, though, our main function is information gathering. We are surveying the entire

faculty to see what needs can be met."

Freeman believes the center is evidence of the College's emphasis on quality instruction.

The center is expected to work closely with the committee for teaching and learning.

"We're still in the process of seeing how we all fit together," said Tia Strait, instructor of dental hygiene and chairperson of the committee for teaching and learning.

"We're hoping that eventually there will be a place for the center," she said. "The committee would then help develop ideas and instigate projects and workshops."

The committee for teaching and learning has been in existence since March 1992 but was called the committee on instruction until April 1995.

When the Faculty Senate gave the committee its three-year review, it believed there was a continued need for the committee.

"What we basically do now is provide workshops in different areas on teaching and learning across campus," Strait said.

"Some of the ideas come from other faculty members. We've done surveys, and we had a workshop where we asked the faculty, 'What do you feel is important across campus to enhance your teaching and your students' learning process?'"

Strait welcomes ideas for possible workshops or projects from the faculty. □

HIGHER EDUCATION

Southern, SMSU to consider link

By RYAN BRONSON
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Initial plans have been made to swap services between Missouri Southern and Southwest Missouri State University. But recently, the College has concentrated its efforts on the installation of fiber optics from building to building.

Dr. Julio Leon, College president, said he hopes SMSU and Southern will be able to benefit from one another through telecommunications.

"We have made some significant advances," said Leon. "This is just at the discussion stage, but we hope we can collaborate with them so we can share resources."

Steve Earney, assistant vice president for information services, said the telecommunications system on campus is becoming more and more updated and will continue to increase in quality.

"I'm really excited about some of the things we are doing," he said. "Telecommunications is a broad topic."

Earney said the College has interlinked systems from building to building with "hubs." Each building

in the system has a hub that sends messages to other hubs.

The hub also distributes the incoming messages throughout its building.

Earney said interlinking could provide students with graduate programs Southern doesn't offer.

"Right now students here can get a graduate nursing degree from UMKC (University of Missouri-Kansas City)," he said. "The same types of programs could be offered from SMSU."

"The presidents [of the two colleges] have agreed it is desirable."

Earney said a likely trade of resources may include the College's thriving criminal justice department.

The telecommunications system, or "backbone," is also housing the cable television provided to residence halls students.

Earney said officials hope to be able to give students access to information at the College from a personal computer through dial-up access.

"Every college needs to be doing this, and most are," he said. "[Installing telecommunications] was something we needed to do, and we have." □

HIGHER EDUCATION BRIEFS

Kansas colleges see decrease in enrollment

Higher education enrollment in Kansas has declined slightly from a year ago, the state Board of Regents reported last week.

In its annual enrollment report, the board said 80,350 students had signed up for classes, compared to 81,216 in September 1994. That represents a decrease of 866, or 1.1 percent.

The University of Kansas reported a fall 1995 enrollment of 25,036, down 300 students from last year.

Kansas State University's enrollment of 19,315 was down by 229.

Enrollment at the KU Medical Center was off by 107 students, or 3.9 percent, from September 1994. K-State's veterinary medicine school enrollment was up by four students, or 1.1 percent.

Pittsburg State University, with 6,426 students enrolled, reported a 1.1 percent increase. Wichita State (14,568) reported a 0.1 percent increase.

Emporia State University, with 5,912 students, reported a 2.7 percent decrease. Fort Hays State University, with 5,329 students, reported a 3 percent decrease.

The statewide enrollment decline is attributed to large graduating classes last spring. □

Meisenbach & Golden to perform at Northwest

Touring artists Megan Meisenbach, flutist, and Mary Golden, harpist, are known for concerts full of musical warmth, joy, intensity, and masterful technique.

Now the flute/harp duo is coming to Northwest Missouri State University for a Northwest Encore Performance event on Monday, Oct. 2. The concert will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Charles Johnson Theatre.

The concert will feature a variety of selections including "Passacaglia" by Handel, and "Syrinx" and "Clair de Lune," both by Debussy.

Tickets for Meisenbach & Golden are on sale and are \$3 for reserved seating.

Tickets are available at the Administration Building from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and at the Mary Linn Box Office from 6-8 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

Reservations may also be made with a major credit card by calling 816-562-1212 during the day and 816-562-1920 at night. □

Russian politics focus of lecture at MWSC

The Missouri Western State College Chautauqua Lecture Series will present a lecture at 7 p.m. on Oct. 5 in the MWSC Warren E. Hearnes Learning Resource Center, Room 102.

The topic will be "Challenges of the 'Russian' Political State: Capitalism is not Democracy," presented by Dr. Kathleen Farrell of the University of Iowa.

Farrell was in the Soviet Union at the time during which the union was dissolved.

In her presentation, she will discuss the foreign policy options of the United States in relationship to Russian reformers.

Most recently, Farrell has a book in press titled *Literary Integrity and Political Action: The Public Argument of James T. Farrell*.

In addition to her recent work, Farrell has written extensively in the areas of law, rhetoric, and foreign policy.

The lecture is free and open to the public.

For more information, persons may contact Dr. John Tapia, professor of communication studies, theatre and humanities, Missouri Western State College.

The phone number is 816-271-4503. □

SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY

Three grants enrich courses

By TONYA PRINCE
STAFF WRITER

Dreams have been coming true for the school of technology. A grant for \$18,900 from Microsoft is the latest of three it has received this semester.

"The first was for \$30,000 for computer aided manufacturing from Mid America Manufacturing Technology," said Dr. Jack Spurlin, dean of the school of technology.

Spurlin said the money was used to purchase a work station to go with the laser they purchased last year.

"Basically, it's a beefed up computer that will allow us to speed up the process by hours," he said.

The second grant came from the state Department of Health and provided \$1500 to help defray the cost of a new defibrillator, said Spurlin.

The latest grant entitles the department to 50 copies of Microsoft Office Professional, 50 copies of Microsoft Visual Basic, and 50 copies of Windows 95.

It also includes up to two years maintenance, which means the department will receive any new versions that come out during that time.

"Lyle Mays [associate professor of computer science] came upon the grant on his own and is the writer of the grant," Spurlin said.

A new class to be offered in the spring will see the benefit of this grant, Mays said. Microcomputer Applications II will provide in-depth coverage of the most common environment and professional tools for the use of microcomputers.

"This is an applications course for people with programming experience," Mays said. □

FISHING FOR LEADS



Nicole Christmann, Amy Hargis, and Dixie Becktold, all senior criminal justice majors, discuss career options with Charles Bent, a corporal for the Missouri Water Patrol, on Sept. 20.

Special to The Chart

Sports Column

How to cure Lady Lions' schizophrenia

I recently heard the Lady Lion volleyball team compared to "Jekyll and Hyde." I tend to agree.

Although it has a 9-2 record, it is sometimes difficult to tell which Missouri Southern team is going to take the court. Will it be one of the best offensive powers in the conference, Dr. Jekyll? Or

will it be a squad that is having trouble executing the basic fundamentals, Mr. Hyde?

The Dr. Jekyll team brings onto the court one of the premier hitters in the MIAA. Sophomore Stephanie Gockley is the Lady Lions' top returning hitter. She was named Freshman of the Year in the MIAA last season.

Gockley currently leads the conference in kills per game and hitting percentage, after setting a season-high 24 kills against the Pittsburg State Gorillas on Sept. 13.

Another standout from the "Jekyll" squad is junior Neely Burkhart, the most consistent server I have seen for Southern in recent years. Burkhart also carried a 3.22 hitting percentage into Wednesday's match against Southwest Baptist. She is an integral component of the team with her leadership both on and off the court.

Southern's Jenny Easter was named the conference setter of the week after her performance during last weekend's conference competition at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. She also had a career-high 58 assists in the Lady Lions' 3-2 loss to Emporia State.

Now we look at the "Hyde" team.

Often I've seen Gockley bury the ball on the opposing team's side of the court for a sideout, only to see the Lady Lions lose the ball because of a missed serve. Head coach Debbie Traywick said "sometimes we just can't find the court."

Serving, however, was not the problem Friday and Saturday in St. Louis. This time it was defense.

But whether it be serving, defense, hitting, or whatever, it all boils down to one big problem for Southern—inconsistency.

With all of the talent Southern brings onto the court, the only team Southern has an excuse losing to is Central Missouri State. Since the addition of volleyball to the MIAA in 1982, only CMSU has held the championship trophy. The Jennies have won 13 consecutive conference titles.

Traywick agrees the Lady Lions should have beaten Emporia State Saturday. Southern was up two games to one, but wasn't able to put the match away.

"We have the talent to be whatever we want to be," Traywick said.

Heading into Wednesday night's competition against Southwest Baptist, Southern is ranked second in the MIAA in hitting and aces and third in kills and assists.

Southern's inconsistency has put a shadow over its 9-2 overall record by giving it a meager 2-2 conference record. Stuck with the Lady Lions at 2-2 in the conference are Emporia State and Washburn University.

In order for the Lady Lions to survive the rest of their grueling schedule, the "Jekyll" personality needs to appear more frequently in the Southern uniform.

There is hope for Southern, the season is young and as Traywick said, all of the problems can be fixed. □

Nick Parker

FOOTBALL

Lions' victory puts end to road woes



ELIZABETH LOVLAND/The Chart

Freshman quarterback Brad Cornelson rushes for some of 123 total rushing yards in the Lions' 37-32 victory over Central Missouri State.

VOLLEYBALL

Lady Lions knock out SBU

By NICK PARKER
SPORTS EDITOR

Three and out. The volleyball Lady Lions knocked out Southwest Baptist University (0-12 overall) in three consecutive games Wednesday night in a non-conference match. Missouri Southern won 15-3, 15-4, 15-1 to improve its overall record to 9-2.

"SBU is a struggling team and we wanted to play at our level, not theirs," head coach Debbie Traywick said. "The goal was to play to our level and to play the way we can play."

While the Lady Bearcats struggled throughout the match, Southern rose to the occasion with strong defensive play and a potent hitting attack.

The Lady Lions had worked hard on defense after disappointing losses to Emporia State and Central Missouri State over the weekend in St. Louis.

"We practiced on defense the

last two days," junior setter Jenny Easter said. "Nobody likes defense practice, but it helped. Tonight was a lot better defensively, and the passing was better."

Offensively, the Lady Lions received help throughout the rotation. Senior hitter Lyn Dee Harrelson had six kills and two aces in the second game.

More help came from sophomore Stephanie Gockley, who finished the first game with an ace and knocked down six kills of her own.

More help came from Easter, who was named one of the conference players of the week after last weekend's performance.

"I think we got a taste of losing, and we didn't like it. We didn't play to our ability against Emporia State."

Jenny Easter
Lady Lion setter

New face at QB leads Southern in rushing, wins starting position

By RICK ROGERS
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

In the final seconds of the fourth quarter, the Missouri Southern Lions and head coach Jon Lantz perhaps thought a win just wasn't meant to be.

But when Central Missouri State quarterback Paul Kaiser's pass fell in and out of the hands of his receiver with no time remaining in the game, the Lions (1-1 MIAA, 2-1 overall) escaped near disaster with a nail-biting 37-32 MIAA victory.

In front of a crowd of 4,423 at the newly renovated Vernon Kennedy Stadium, Southern survived a 21-point fourth-quarter surge by the Mules (0-2 MIAA, 1-2 overall), led by Kaiser, who threw for 354 yards and completed 26 of 52 passes overall.

With Southern's sophomore quarterback David Haug out with an injury to his throwing hand, Lantz started freshman Brad Cornelson, who split duty with Haug last week in the Lions' 26-21 loss to Emporia State.

The choice to start Cornelson Saturday paid off for the Lions as he led Southern in rushing yardage with 123 and passed for 85 more. Lantz said he was impressed with Cornelson's poise and concentration even with the added pressures of the Lions' past negative road experiences and the loud CMSU crowd.

"Brad played an excellent game for his first start," he said. "Playing in front of a large crowd is not easy, and you have to give him a lot of credit. Right now, I would have to say he is our No. 1 quarterback."

Lantz, reflecting on Cornelson's

LIONS

vs.

MINERS

WHEN:
7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30.

WHERE:
Fred G. Hughes Stadium.

SERIES:
Missouri Southern leads series 8-2.

RECORDS:
Missouri Southern 2-1, (1-1) Missouri-Rolla 0-3, (0-2).

LAST YEAR:
Missouri-Rolla 31, Missouri Southern 17.

48-yard touchdown pass to Sir Avington in the third quarter, said he had never seen a Lion freshman quarterback play that well in a starting role since Matt Cook in 1989.

"That is what great quarterbacks do," Lantz said. "I'm not saying he is a great quarterback yet, but I am excited about this young kid."

"He reminds me a lot of old No. 14 (Cook) back in 1989 when he was a freshman. This could be one of the best quarterbacks to ever play at Missouri Southern."

Avington, whose first career touchdown reception put the Lions ahead 22-11, gave much of the credit to Cornelson.

"It was unbelievable to make a catch like that," he said. "When I grabbed the ball, the free safety missed my legs. After that, all I saw was open field. It was a great pass by Brad."

Southern trailed 11-8 at halftime, but a 22-point barrage in the first 9:42 of the third quarter gave the Lions what they thought was a commanding lead. Southern was up 37-11 early in the fourth quarter.

"Football is a game of momentum more than any other game," Lantz said. "I have never seen so many momentum swings in a game I've

coached. In the third quarter, the momentum swung so much our way I thought the field was going to tilt.

"Then in the fourth quarter I stood there with a sick feeling with six seconds to go wondering how we got in this position."

The Lions' offensive onslaught ended with a 1-yard touchdown run by senior tailback Albert Bland. Lantz said Bland, who finished the game with 98 yards rushing, injured his left hand in the first quarter, hampering the 1994 all-American throughout the rest of the game.

Southern now faces the University of Missouri-Rolla Saturday at Fred G. Hughes Stadium.

Missouri-Rolla (0-3 overall, 0-2 MIAA) lost to Northwest Missouri State 48-14 last weekend. The Miners haven't won since defeating the Lions 21-17 in Rolla last season.

Missouri-Rolla head coach Jim Anderson said his squad was focusing on how to stop the speedy Cornelson.

"He is an outstanding player and runs the option very well," Anderson said. "He was impressive in the Central Missouri game, and when you face any team that runs the option you have to be careful on the defensive side of the football."

After Southern's first road victory in six games, Lantz said he was not worried about the Lions letting down their guard against a winless Miner team.

"I would be nervous if it hadn't been for the Emporia game," he said. "Each game we have learned one great lesson. Against UCA, we learned how to beat a good football team. In week two, we learned never to underestimate your opponents, and against Central Missouri, we learned how to play a good team with a big lead." □



DEBORAH SOLOMON/The Chart

Sophomore Stephanie Gockley hits through two blockers in Southern's 3-0 victory against Southwest Baptist Wednesday night.

SOCCER

Lions down Redmen in 3-2 victory

By J.L. GRIFFIN
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Finally, the Missouri Southern soccer team met a team that matches it physically in size, but Southern was able to adjust to the Northeastern Oklahoma State University Redmen and pull out a 3-2 victory Tuesday.

The Lions are now 6-3, while the Redmen fall to 5-2-1.

"They were probably the largest team we've faced," senior Brett Ulrich said. "We just played with more finesse and spread the ball around more."

For most of the first half the ball traveled up and down the field without much play on the goal. The Lions had five shots on goal during the first half; Northeastern had three.

"They play a game similar to

ours," Southern coach Jim Cook said. "The edge we had tonight was speed."

With two and a half minutes left in the half, freshman Matt Demery booted the ball from 20 yards away on the left side. The ball sailed into the upper right corner of the goal, out of Northeastern goalie Daniel Roberts' reach.

Northeastern came out of the break fired up and took only four minutes and 18 seconds to get the ball past Lion goalie Chris Lewis.

The season's table was turned 180 degrees for the next Southern goal. The Lions have had numerous goals scored on them with penalty kicks. Tuesday, it was Southern's turn to capitalize on Northeastern's mistake.

Sophomore Mark Turpen was tripped in the goal box to set up the penalty kick. Cook called for

sophomore Rusty Prince to take the shot. As Prince shot the ball, Roberts dove to the right, guessing the wrong way, and the ball skirted along the ground into the left side of the net.

The final Southern goal came on a corner kick by senior Grady Huke. The ball landed in Roberts' arms but fell loose and trickled toward the goal line. Junior Todd Eaton was on top of the ball to make sure it found the back of the goal. The third goal was scored at the 74:07 mark, only three minutes after the second.

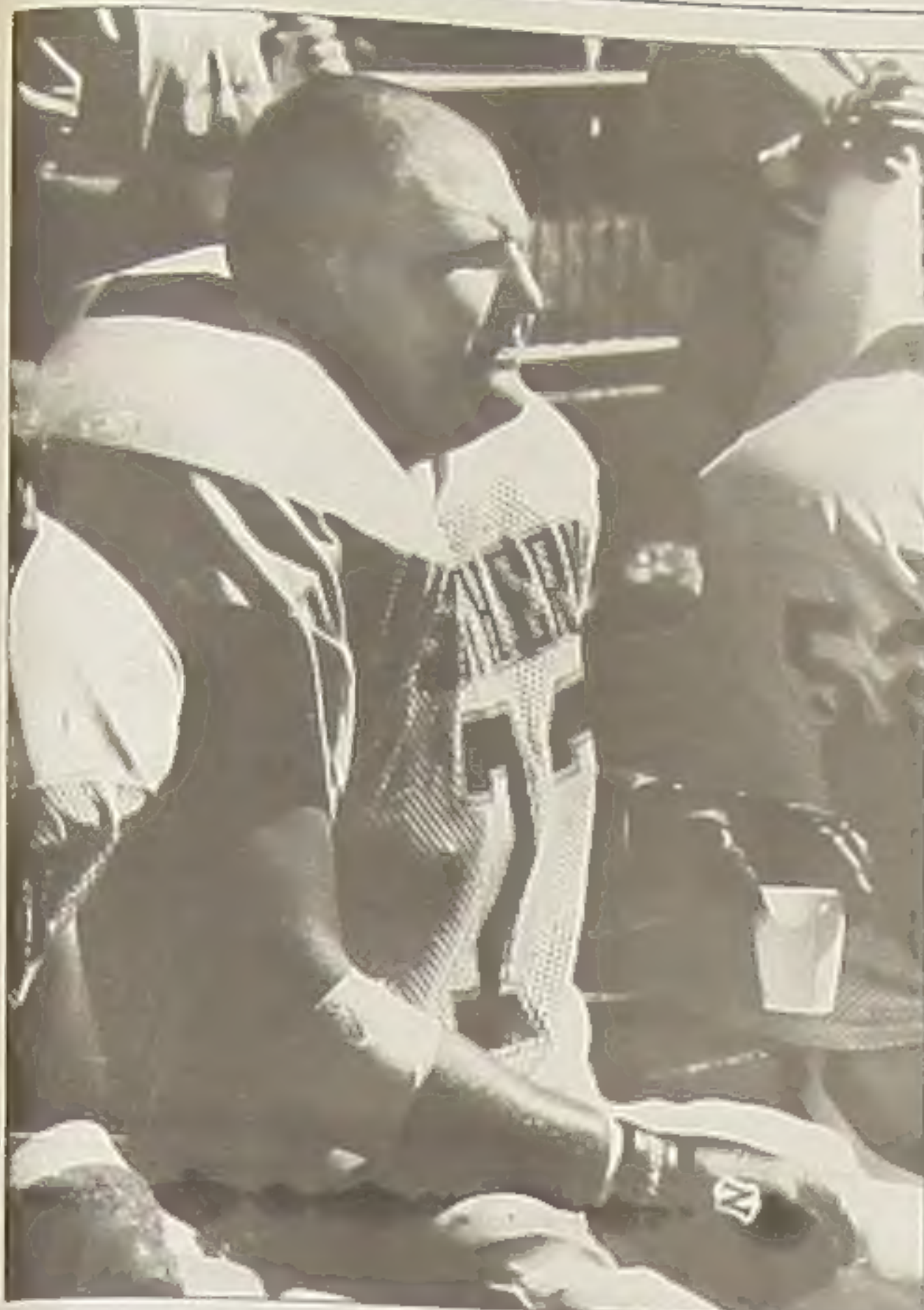
Huke's time on the field lasted for only 50 more seconds as he and Northeastern forward Jason Jedamski tangled in the left corner of the field and were red-carded.

Southern meets Ozark Christian College at 4 p.m. Thursday on the OCC field in Joplin. □



CATHERINE ROSS/The Chart

Freshman forward Justin Buerge weeds his way around a defender from Northeastern Oklahoma on Tuesday afternoon. The Lions won 3-2.



ELIZABETH LOVLAND/The Chart

After a tough first quarter, Yancy McKnight takes a breather on the sidelines.



ELIZABETH LOVLAND/The Chart

Lions' right guard Yancy McKnight (right) sweeps to the left side, setting a block for freshman quarterback Brad Cornelison Saturday at CMSU.

HOMETOWN Hero

From his days of being an all-state selection at Joplin High School to being an All-American selection at Southern, Joplin native Yancy McKnight has found success and happiness close to home.

By RICK ROGERS
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Before becoming a pre-season All-American this fall, Yancy McKnight's collegiate football career was at a standstill.

In earning first-team all-conference, all-area, all-Ozarks, and all-state honors in his final season as a Joplin High School Eagle, McKnight had several colleges, including some Big Eight teams, scouting him throughout his senior season.

But due to his Proposition 48 status (17 or below on the ACT), he said many programs looked the other way.

"[Mickey] Heatherly (JHS head coach) and I weighed my options and chose Southwest Missouri State University," McKnight said. "I was looking at a few junior colleges, but SMSU seemed like the only logical option."

After a red-shirt freshman season at SMSU, McKnight decided to leave the program a year later due to a lack of playing time. McKnight said when he left SMSU after playing in six games during the 1991 season, he thought his career had come to an early close.

"I left SMSU after two seasons basically because I was not happy," he said. "To tell you the

truth, I really didn't think I was going to play anymore. But I got together with Coach Heatherly, and now here I am."

McKnight, who came to Southern in the spring of 1992, said if not for Heatherly he could be at home watching football every Saturday instead of starting at right guard for the Lions.

"Coach Heatherly has stuck with me throughout my career, even when I was having my troubles at SMSU," he said. "When I left SMSU, he was the man I called for advice."

"I never thought I would be playing in a Southern uniform, even when I was watching them as a kid."

McKnight, 23, said coming home to Joplin and having his family's support every day could have been the jump start to resurrecting his plummeting football career.

"It was one of the best decisions I think I have ever made in my life," he said. "It is great to play at home with tons of people watching me. My parents have always gone to both my home and away game. It's a big family deal."

"I just love playing in front of my home people."

Being an offensive lineman is not a job full of glory, but McKnight likes to look at it in another way.

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It was one of the best decisions I think I have ever made in my life. It is great to play at home with tons of people watching me.

Yancy McKnight
Lion right guard

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"Sure, when it comes down to it, the majority of people don't give us enough credit," he said. "But I like to think the true football fans know what it comes down to."

"I think we may have one of the best offensive lines in the nation."

One person who respects the dedication of the offensive line is Lions' tailback Albert Bland, who rushed for 1,496 yards last season.

"If I had to run behind any of the five blockers I have, I would choose Yancy McKnight," Bland said. "With the three years of experience here, he is definitely the bolt that screws in the whole offensive line."

One thing McKnight has worked on off the field was controlling his intense personality. Even he agrees that he was one to stir up the pot.



ELIZABETH LOVLAND/The Chart

(Right) Yancy McKnight (73) and Don Beck (76) prepared to battle in the trenches in last Saturday's nail-biting 37-32 win.

The Scoreboard

FOOTBALL

Southern vs.
Central Missouri
MSSC 37, CMSU 32
MIAA standings (9/26)

	Conf.	All
1. Missouri Western	2-0	3-0
2. Pittsburg State	2-0	2-0
3. Northwest Missouri	2-0	2-2
4. Northwest Missouri	2-0	2-2
5. Missouri Southern	1-1	2-1
6. Emporia State	1-1	2-2
7. Central Missouri	0-2	1-2
8. Washburn	0-2	1-2
9. Southwest Baptist	0-2	0-3
10. Missouri-Rolla	0-2	0-3

Southern Season Totals
Rushing—Albert Bland, 436 yards; Brad Cornelison, 164 yards; Heath Benson, 92 yards; Jason Friend, 42 yards; Wallace Clay, 113 yards.
Passing—Brad Cornelison, 6/15 184, 122 yards.

VOLLEYBALL

Southwest Baptist
vs. Southern
MSSC 3, SBU 0
MIAA standings (9/26)

	Conf.	All
1. Central Missouri	4-0	14-2
2. Missouri Western	3-1	10-3
3. Missouri-St. Louis	3-1	10-7
4. Northwest Missouri	3-1	7-6
5. Missouri Southern	2-2	8-2
6. Washburn	2-2	8-6
7. Emporia State	2-2	8-9
8. Northwest	1-3	10-3
9. Pittsburg State	0-4	4-10
10. Southwest Baptist	0-4	0-11

How Southern Ranks
Hitting—2nd, 540 kills, .261 pct.
Kills—540, 14.5 avg.
Assists—3rd, 447, 12.1 avg.
Aces—2nd, 92, 2.49 avg.
Digs—6th, 607, 16.41 avg.
Blocks—5th, 107.5, 2.81 avg.

SOCCER

Northeastern Okla. vs.
Southern
MSSC 3, Northeastern 2
MIAA standings (9/26)

	Conf.	All
1. Missouri-Rolla	1-0	6-1
2. Missouri Southern	1-0	5-3
3. Northeast Missouri	0-0	4-1
4. Southwest Baptist	0-0	4-5
5. Missouri-St. Louis	0-0	2-5
6. Lincoln	0-2	0-5

Southern Season Totals
Goals—Todd Eaton, 5; Matt Ceamal, 4; Jose Suarez, 3; Mark Turpen, 3; Matt Demery, 2; Brett Ulrich, 1; Tim Kelly, 1; Justin Buerge, 1.
Assists—Todd Eaton, 12; Matt Ceamal, 8; Jose Suarez, 6; Mark Turpen, 6; Justin Buerge, 4; Matt Demery, 4; Brett Ulrich, 3; Tim Kelly, 2; Andy Kettler, 1; Ryan Waggoner, 1; Grady Huke, 1.

THIS WEEK

Football

• Missouri-Rolla at Southern, Saturday 7 p.m.

Volleyball

• Missouri Western at Southern, Wednesday 7 p.m.
• Northwest Missouri III at Southern, Friday 7 p.m.
• Washburn at Southern, Saturday 2 p.m.
• Northeast Missouri at Southern, Saturday 6 p.m.

Soccer

• Southern at John Brown, Saturday at 2 p.m.
• Southern at Barbesville Wesleyan College, Saturday 4 p.m.

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Tune in to the voices of Don Gross and Ron Fauss as they bring you all the action between Missouri Southern and Missouri-Rolla at 7 p.m. Saturday.

Southern Sports Sunday...

Bored on Sunday nights and missed the Lions' home game vs. the Miners. You can watch it a day late on MSTV's 9 p.m. coverage with your hosts Rick Rogers, Ryan Bronson, Jake Griffin, and Nick Parker.

Financing the future

New high school core class teaches extra responsibility

By J.L. GRIFFIN
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

In the past, it was considered the only classes high school students truly needed were the infamous three R's: Reading, writing and arithmetic.

Times have changed and so has the importance of other classes. The effects are being felt throughout many school systems, but Joplin High School has taken the step to alleviate the need for more core classes.

With the advent of the Personal Financial Literacy class, students at Joplin who will be graduating in 1997 or later are now required to take the class.

"The class is really parallel to some of the general business classes previously offered as an elective," Patricia Brigman, business teacher, said.

This new course joins a group of subjects classified as core classes, such as math, language and science. Core classes are any number of classes required by the school district or the state in order for a student to graduate.

Personal Financial Literacy is unique in many ways beside it being the only required economics class in the state anyone in the school district knows of.

The uniqueness of the class stretches beyond it being a core class alone. The idea for the class originated from outside the school district. It was Joplin's

business community that brought the idea to the school board's attention and when the program was initiated, the board decided to offer it through three different disciplines.

Students taking the class have the choice whether to take it through the business, social studies or human consumer studies departments.

"It's an extremely important class because most students don't learn this information at home," Karen Reeve, human consumer studies teacher, said.

Personal Financial Literacy is a semester course offered more often in the business department than any other, with seven sections being offered during the course of the school year.

The human consumer studies section offers the class five times each year and the social studies department offers it once.

Dr. Vernon Hudson, Joplin R-8's superintendent, would like to see the class evolve to a point where all three sections are offered to each student.

"Eventually what we'd like to do is move toward getting into one area and transferring into the others within the 11 week period. That way there are some elements from all three of the content areas," Hudson said.

The course was added to the curriculum in 1994 after a committee at the district level was organized five years ago to evaluate the core programs. ■ was

decided along with the traditional core classes, there was a need to educate young adults about finances because so many were ending their high school years without a clue how to use credit cards, buy insurance or even budget their spending.

"It was something that would reach out and help them throughout their lifetime," Jean Fleming, business teacher, said. "I think it's important for kids to really see the reality of life."

Classes in separate departments take different approaches to teaching the class.

The business aspect deals more with banking and stocks.

Human consumer studies focuses the majority of classtime on spending and budgeting.

The social studies department touches on aspects from the other departments, but deals more with an economic and historical end.

Brigman believes most students don't recognize the usefulness of the class since they aren't experiencing the full spectrum of the real world right now.

The general consensus of those involved with the course seems to be that while reading, writing and arithmetic are important to the development of an educated mind, the Personal Financial Literacy class is something students will be using everyday for the rest of their lives. □



As one of six teachers of the Personal Financial Literacy classes at Joplin High School, Patricia Brigman says students don't really appreciate the value of the class. For her classes she assigns work for her students that enforces individual finances as well as group problems.



Why is Personal Financial Literacy class important?

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Hiedy Jobe
Junior

It will help me with a lot of job-related questions in the future. This class prepares us for the business world.

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Justin D. Hunter
Junior

It teaches young adults about what to expect from the business world when they make it there.

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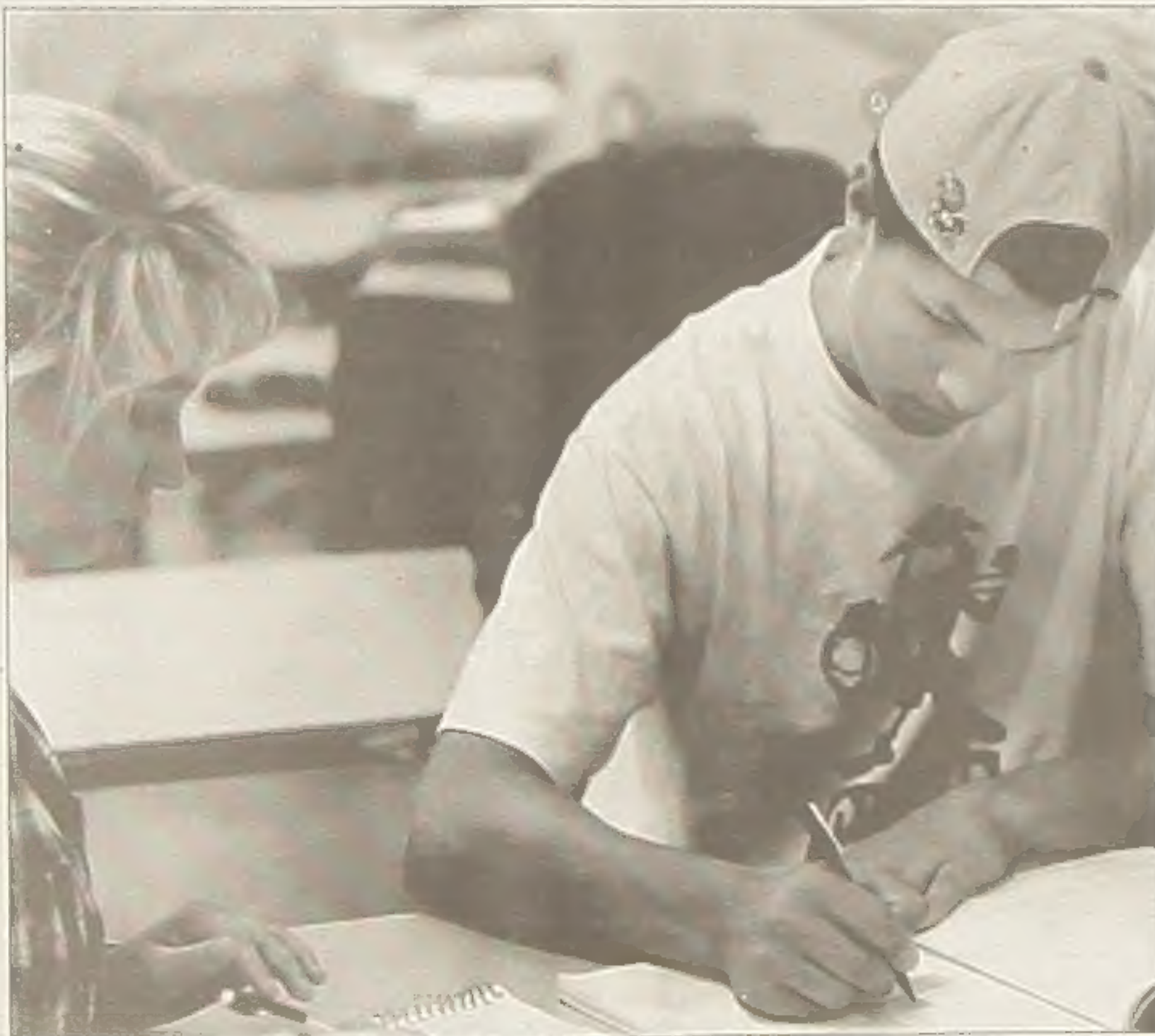
Stephanie Brookshire
Junior

This class will help me and other students with jobs in our future.

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J.L. GRIFFIN/The Chart

Photos by J.L. Griffin



(Above) Jeremy Boykin ponders a question during a recent class session that let students work on finances together.

(Left) Darin Nonemaker writes down the answers given to him by group partner Stevi Smith. These students are enrolled in the class taught by the business department. Social studies and human consumer studies also offer the class through their curriculum.

Community actions prompt course change

By J.L. GRIFFIN
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Community involvement on any level of education is a much desired feature. Receiving the contributions is something of a different story.

The genesis of the Personal Financial Literacy class at Joplin High School can be directly attributed to the community however.

"It was the business community that really pushed for it," Dr. Vernon Hudson, Joplin R-8's superintendent said.

During the early stages of a district planning session Joplin business members pointed out the need for better education of students involving their financial future.

John Hale, vice president of human

resources at Leggett & Platt, was on a school district subcommittee to accommodate the need for more core programs.

Hale pointed out how he saw new employees at Leggett & Platt struggle with insurance and investment plans.

Hale pointed out how the state required students to learn a basic understanding of the government on the basis the class was necessary for students to be able to function in society better.

He said the need for students to understand finances, especially their own, was just as important.

After the course was designed and put into action in 1994, the community involvement didn't stop.

Businesses throughout Joplin have helped in the defining and molding of the class.

Representatives from State Farm, Commerce Bank and Joplin's Board of Realtors are just some of the agencies in the city that contribute to the course's success.

Hudson said that without the help of the business community Personal Financial Literacy wouldn't be near as useful as it is.

One business taking an interest in the class is Consumer Credit Counseling. Terry Shipley is a counselor based out of Springfield and he believes that businesses need to stake an interest in high school students.

In his line of work, Shipley counsels anyone with credit problems. Going to high schools to teach about credit is imperative, now more than ever.

"Credit cards are so easily accessible," Shipley said. "We don't want to see these students later, we want them

to be better consumers now."

The teachers ask for members of the community to come in as well to speak to the students about finances.

Business teacher Patricia Brigman has an insurance agent from State Farm speak to her class. She feels someone in the field would have a better sense of the real world because they deal with it on a daily basis.

"I consider myself insurance illiterate," Brigman said.

In the first year of the class, most of the materials for the class were supplied by Commerce Bank. Commerce also has a computer program that allows students to see what it's like to plan a budget on a month to month basis.

"The community is willing to take part and we need them," Jean Fleming, business teacher, said. □